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SPAIN'S ROLE TO BE DISCUSSED

Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, will be host at lunch to-day in honour of Senor Serrano Suner, Spanish Minister of Interior, who is due to arrive in Rome at 10 o'clock this morning from Germany.

The conversations will begin to-day, says the Italian news agency, which adds well-informed circles in Rome state the talks between the Spanish Minister and members of the Italian Government will be of the greatest importance.

Senor Suner will stay in Rome for two or three days. — Reuter.

It seems likely that Senor Suner's visit to Rome is mostly for reasons of courtesy, as the serious talking must already have been concluded in Berlin.

Senor Suner popularly is supposed to be very friendly towards the Rome end of the axis. — Reuter.

GRIS NEZ DRENCHED IN FLAMES

Houses on the Kent coast were shaken by heavy explosions last night when the R.A.F. delivered another big attack on the German invasion bases.

Brilliant flashes from bursting bombs reddened the starlit sky and the reflection they cast upon the water reached the British side of the Straits of Dover.

Calais harbour and long-range gun emplacements near Cap Gris Nez appeared to be the main targets. At times, this part of the French coast seemed to be drenched in flames.

Vigorous resistance was given by German ground defences. — Reuter.

TANGIER MOVES

Following the Dakar episode the authorities at Tangier are tightening control over all people suspected of being hostile to the Axis powers.

It is learned that 26 British subjects have been ordered to leave Casablanca for the interior so they can be kept under closer supervision.

There are signs that the infiltration of Axis elements in French Morocco is being accelerated. — Reuter.

Relentless Attacks By R.A.F. Bombers

ITALY TO CLAIM THE PRICE

The Berlin correspondent of the Basle newspaper, "National Zeitung" states that "an important diplomatic event" is expected to take place shortly in Rome.

He adds that it will primarily concern Italy and Spain. — Reuter.

N.E.I. AND JAPAN'S LEBENSRAUM

The Netherlands East Indies is intensely interested in the Axis/Japan pact, particularly in what sphere the Axis and Japan regard as their "lebensraum."

Does this include Indo-China, China, Thailand, Malaya, the Philippines and the Netherlands East Indies?

Reports from Batavia say some Japanese have rather wide conceptions of "living space" and the leading N.E.I. newspapers say in effect that the N.E.I. will not tolerate control by any foreign power of their territory or interests.

"We have no doubt that the Netherlands will ultimately free itself from German domination," these papers say, "and the Netherlands East Indies will remain faithful to the policy of the status quo."

The N.E.I. do not consider themselves involved in the Berlin/Rome/Tokyo agreement and will resist any infringement on their right to independent and free existence with all the means in their power, the papers conclude. — Reuter.

U.S. NAVAL RUMOURS

ASKED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY ABOUT REPORTS THAT THE UNITED STATES CONTEMPLATES SENDING WARSHIPS ON A "GOODWILL" VISIT TO AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND, SECRETARY OF STATE CORDELL HULL REPLIED THAT NO DEFINITE PROPOSALS HAD YET BEEN MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THE GENERAL DISCUSSIONS AND EXCHANGE OF VIEWS NOW IN PROGRESS WITH BRITAIN ON THE FAR EASTERN SITUATION. — Reuter.

Raiders Cover Wide Area of Reich

FIRES, FOLLOWED BY EXPLOSIONS VISIBLE FROM AIRCRAFT 60 MILES AWAY, MARKED A HEAVY ATTACK ON AN OIL REFINERY AND STORAGE PLANT AT MAGDEBURG CARRIED OUT ON SUNDAY NIGHT BY BRITISH BOMBERS, SAYS THE AIR MINISTRY NEWS SERVICE.

The plant, known as the Braunkohlen Nezin Company, is situated 200 miles inland from Germany's western frontier, and was subjected to a series of raids which began shortly after 10 p.m. and continued for nearly three hours.

Many fires started by incendiary bombs illuminated the target and guided following aircraft directly to the objective.

Attacking in shallow dives and often from low level, the raiders straddled the oil plant with high explosive bombs leaving a trail of multi-coloured fires and spasmatic explosions.

Later arrivals, adding their quota of bombs to fires already raging, saw them blaze up still more fiercely and spread rapidly across the target area.

Raiders participating in this attack also bombed the railway at the southern exit of the city and started fires close to the main line junction.

Gasworks Hit

Other forces of heavy bombers attacked a large coal gas plant at Stuttgart and the Bosch factory which produces electrical equipment for the German Services.

A stick of heavy calibre bombs fell across a gas works causing ten separate explosions.

The Bosch works were bombed for 15 minutes and are believed to have been heavily hit as a large fire was seen blazing in the area as bombing ceased.

An aluminium factory at Bitterfeld and rail communication centres in Germany were also successfully attacked during the night.

Great Fire

A power station near Antwerp was bombed while other night raiders maintained their pressure on possible invasion bases and attacked shipping concentrations and harbour works at Ostend, Flushing and Calais.

Aerodromes at Githorn, Deauville, Evreux, Aachen and Schiphol were also subjected to night attacks by heavy bombers.

At Schiphol, main airport of Amsterdam, sticks of bombs burst across the illuminated flare patch and at Aachen, low-lying clouds were lit up by the glow of a great fire started on the aerodrome.

Coastal Inferno

The bombardment of potential invasion bases on the Belgian, Dutch and French coasts included a third attack on the naval

base at Lorient where heavy damage was caused in large-scale raids last week.

On Sunday night bad visibility hampered the attack but heavy calibre bombs were seen to straddle the target.

At Calais hits were scored in many parts of the dock area in the face of intense opposition from harbour gun batteries.

Other bomber forces raided the harbour at Ostend where bombs fell across the outer harbour and on the new tidal harbour, and the docks at Boulogne where hits were registered on several main shipping basins.

Bombs were also dropped on (Continued on Page 16)

SUBMARINE CREW SAFE

CONFIRMATION OF THE BELIEF THAT OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE SUBMARINE SHARK ARE PRISONERS OF WAR IS PROVIDED BY TWO LETTERS FROM THE COMMANDER, LT COMM. P. N. E. BUCKLEY, RECEIVED AT HIS HOME AT HOOTON, CHESHIRE, YESTERDAY.

All the officers and some of the ratings are believed to be safe.

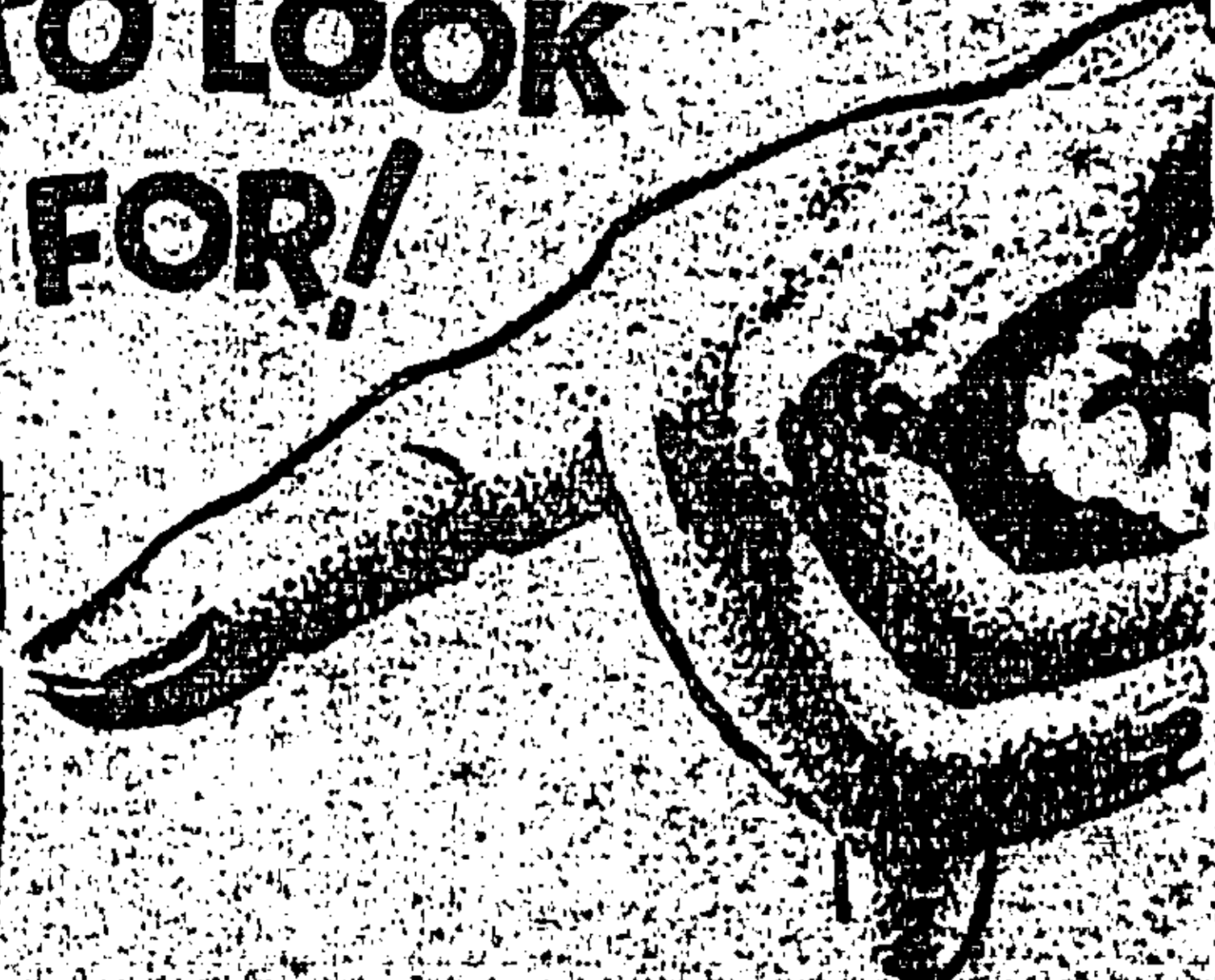
Buckley was wounded but he says he is quite all right now and is very well looked after. — Reuter.

CORRESPONDENT ASKED TO LEAVE

Claire Hollingsworth, correspondent in Bucharest for the London "Daily Express" was visited by Rumanian police yesterday and asked to leave the country.

The British Legation has lodged a protest. — Reuter.

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MR. CHURCHILL'S 'MUNICH' MESSAGE TO CZECHS

"THE SOUL of freedom is deathless; it cannot and will not perish," said Mr. Winston Churchill in a special message which was read in a broadcast last night to the Czechoslovakian people.

The message recalled that the day was the second anniversary of the Munich Agreement, "a date which the world will always remember for the tragic sacrifice made by the Czechoslovak people in the interest of European peace."

PILOT'S UNIQUE FEAT

An amazing accident, unique in the annals of air history, occurred on Sunday in Australia over one of the air training fields.

Two training machines became interlocked one above the other at a height of 1,000 feet.

The pilot and observer in the lower plane and the observer of the other machine baled out and landed safely by parachute.

The pilot in the upper machine, however, elected to remain in his plane and in some miraculous fashion managed to land both planes, still interlocked, safely on the flying field.

The machines were only slightly damaged and both will be in the air again in a day or two! —Reuter.

DON'T PARK NEAR F H OR H

The Eastern Regional Office of the Ministry of Information in a statement says that although motorists are promptly obeying instructions given by a policeman or warden during an air raid, there is one thing they have not yet fully learnt.

That is to make sure that their vehicle is not obstructing access to a fire hydrant.

The position of a hydrant is marked by a square of yellow or white paint, and in addition there will be found nearby and generally opposite on a wall or post a metal plate bearing the letters F H H Y or H.

TRAINING FUTURE FARMING KEY MEN

A scheme to train boys for farming is being organised in Essex, from which it is hoped to obtain future key men for Britain's agricultural industry.

Scholarships valued at £175 a year have been granted at the Henry Ford Agricultural Engineering Institute at Boreham, Essex.

The boys will also receive technical training in all kinds of farming over 4,000 acres of land.

COTTON TO REPLACE POSTERS

Familiar posters printed on cotton instead of paper may soon be giving peace-time brightness to British streets.

"Although it is not new, the process has come to the forefront since the paper shortage became acute," a reporter was told by Mr. Ernest Marks, head of a Manchester firm which is sponsoring the scheme.

"The cloth—made in Lancashire—has a special gloss surface, which takes printing just as well as paper. We have already had inquiries from several national advertisers, and we feel sure we can soon fill some of those empty hoardings."

The fabric is only slightly dearer than paper, and considerably more durable. It can be used to replace paper for other uses. Liverpool Cotton Corporation, for instance, have adopted it as note-paper.

"The hopes which this agreement stirred in the heart of civilised mankind has been frustrated."

Within six months the solemn pledges given by the unscrupulous men who control the destiny of Germany were broken and the agreement destroyed with a ruthlessness which unmasked the true nature of their reckless ambitions to the whole world.

"The protection which Hitler forced upon you has been a sham and a cloak for the incorporation of your once flourishing country in the so-called Greater Reich."

"Instead of protection he has brought you nothing but moral and material devastation and today the followers of the great tolerant and humanitarian President Masaryk are being persecuted with a deliberate cruelty which has few parallels in modern history."

Instinctive Defiance

"In this hour of your martyrdom I send you this message. The battle which we in Britain are fighting to-day is not only our battle, it is also your battle and indeed the battle of all nations who prefer liberty to soulless servitude."

"It is the struggle of civilised nations for the right to live their own life in the manner of their own choosing. It represents man's instinctive defiance of tyranny and an impersonal universe."

"Throughout history no European nation has shown a greater will to survive than yours and to-day again your people have given countless proofs of their courage in adversity."

Pride And Gratitude

"Here in Britain we have welcomed with pride and gratitude your soldiers and airmen who have come by daring escapes to take part with ever-increasing success in that battle for Britain which is also the battle for Czechoslovakia and no less sincere is our admiration for those Czechs and Slovaks who on the home front are risking death or worse than death to foster resistance against a cruel and heartless oppressor."

"It is because we both are fighting for the fundamental decencies of human life that we are determined that neither our struggle nor your struggle shall be in vain."

"It is for this reason that we have refused to recognise any of the brutal conquests of Germany in Central Europe or elsewhere; that we have welcomed a Czechoslovak Provisional Government in this country; and that we have made the restoration of Czechoslovak liberties one of our principal war aims."

Be Of Good Cheer

With firmness and resolution, two qualities which our nations share in equal measure, these aims will be achieved.

"Be of good cheer. The hour of your deliverance will come. The soul of freedom is deathless; it cannot and will not perish." —Reuter.

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ITALIAN RATIONING

The Italian Ministry of Corporations yesterday decreed that olive oil, butter, bacon and lard will be rationed in Italy from October 1, says a Rome despatch to the official German news agency.—Reuter.

CONGO'S ON THE AIR

THE BELGIAN CONGO GOES ON THE AIR TO-DAY WITH A NEW SHORT-WAVE RADIO STATION OPERATING FROM LEOPOLDVILLE.

Programmes will be broadcast from 10.55 a.m. to noon G.M.T. (9.55 p.m. to 8 p.m. Hong Kong Time) and from 6.55 p.m. to 7.45 p.m. G.M.T. (5.55 a.m. to 6.45 a.m. H.K.T.). The first transmission will be on 14.97 metres, the second on 20.64 metres.

The opening programme will be at 6.55 p.m., when the Governor-General of the Belgian Congo will inaugurate the service.—Reuter.

GANDHI LEAVING WITHOUT AGREEMENT

Mr. Gandhi's second interview with the Viceroy in Simla yesterday lasted two and three quarter hours, after which the Mahatma decided to leave in the evening for Wardha.

The Viceroy has written to Mr. Gandhi stating it is impossible, in the interests of India, to acquiesce in the interference with war efforts which would result from the freedom of speech asked for by Congress.

Mr. Gandhi has replied that while Congress is anxious to refrain from embarrassing the British Government in their war efforts, it cannot "deny its creed at the present critical juncture of mankind's destiny."

Mr. Gandhi's Reply

In the course of his reply to the Viceroy, Mr. Gandhi stated that:

"If Congress has to die, it should do so in the act of proclaiming its faith."

"It is unfortunate that we have been unable to arrive at an agreement on the single issue of freedom of speech. But I shall hug the hope that it will be possible for the Government to work out their policy in the spirit of the position of Congress."

Gandhi's Argument

Full text of the correspondence shows that the Viceroy, writing to Mr. Gandhi, says: "It has emerged from our conversation that while you would not yourself preach to workers engaged in war work at actual works, in an endeavour to dissuade them from working on war equipment, you should regard it as essential that it should be open to Congress and non-Congress members alike to deliver addresses, and in other ways, to call upon people throughout the country to refrain from assisting India's war effort in any way which would involve India's participation in bloodshed." —Reuter.

DEPARTURE OF LONDON JAPANESE: THE EXPLANATION

CONTRADICTORY REPORTS were current yesterday about the departure of Japanese residents from Great Britain.

The Japan radio yesterday morning announced that 750 Japanese had been ordered to leave by the Japanese Embassy in London.

The Embassy promptly denied this, and it appears that the truth is that the Japanese Consul-General asked the Tokyo Foreign Office to send a Japanese ship to pick up some Japanese who wish to return to Japan.

Some of the Japanese firms and banks have decided to reduce their staffs and they asked the Consul-General to arrange for their return to Japan.—Reuter.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent says that the Japanese Consul-General in London, Mr. Uchiyama, acting on the wish of some Japanese residents in the British capital, requested the Foreign Office in Tokyo to send a Japanese ship to evacuate them.

Since the beginning of the Battle of London, many Japanese firms and banks had decided to reduce their staffs to a skeleton basis owing to the danger to life from air raids and a certain shrinkage of business.

There is no truth whatsoever in the Tokyo report that the Japanese Embassy in London ordered Japanese residents to leave the country.

Out of some 700 Japanese only about 70 will leave England, if and when the Japanese ship arrives.

Heard Nothing

A leading official of the Yokohama Specie Bank told Reuter yesterday: "We have no intention of evacuating and we have heard nothing even faintly resembling this report. If there had been any such order we should certainly have heard from our head office in Tokyo."

"Some Japanese have certainly left London but they have gone of their own accord because business has been bad," Reuter understands the steamer Fushimi Maru is due in Lisbon about October 20 and may arrive at an English port early in November.—Reuter.

LEFT £166,000—WIFE IS WORRIED

With her last shilling—all that she had left of the week's housekeeping money, a mother of seven sent a wire to her soldier husband to tell him that he had inherited £166,000.

"If it had been about £100," she told a reporter, "we should have been satisfied, but this has come as such a shock that I don't know what I am doing and I am worried out of my life."

Her husband, Private Frederick Hills, fifty-six, of the East Surrey Regiment, got twenty-four hours' special leave and went home to King Street, Maidstone, Kent, to see his family.

"But I'm not going to be any different," he said. "I'm not going to let money go to my head. Anyway, I have a job in the Army to finish off at the moment."

Private Hills, a former roadman, has just inherited the money from his father, Mr. John Hills, former police-constable of Maidstone, who died at his home in Dearborn, U.S.A., in May.

The rest of the fortune is to be divided between Mr. John Hill's other five children.

She Fainted

"I was cooking the lunch for my family when the letter—it was from the British Consul in Michigan—was brought by the postman," his wife, Mrs. Alice Hills, forty-six, said at her home.

"I collapsed when I read it. When I came to, I counted my coppers to wire Fred. I found I had only just enough money in my purse to send the wire."

Fred was granted twenty-four hours' leave to come home and sort things out. I knew that his family in America had some money, but I never dreamt it was

so much. "It will be a godsend. We have never been what you would call well off. The most my husband earned as a roadman was £2 18s. a week to keep our family of seven kiddies on."

The youngest of Mrs. Hills' children is four—the eldest twenty-six.

"Now I shall be able to get them some nice clothes," she said.

TENTH HAIFA RAID

HUNDREDS GATHERED ON MOUNT CARMEL ON SUNDAY TO WATCH THE ITALIANS ATTEMPT THEIR TENTH RAID ON HAIFA; THE RAIDERS TWISTED AND DIVED TO AVOID THE FIRE OF SHORE BATTERIES.

They then climbed to a great height and released their bombs over wasteland and into the sea.

Ten people were slightly injured but there was no material damage.—Reuter.

BRITISH PILOT INTERRED IN EIRE

The Eire Department of Defence announces that a British plane made a forced landing near Enniscorthy on Sunday. The pilot, who was uninjured, was interned.—Reuter.

LUFTWAFFE TRIES AGAIN

Big Raids Renewed For First Time Since Friday

Five "Alert" Warnings In London

LONDON HAD FOUR ALERTS UP TO ABOUT 5 O'CLOCK YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, THE FIRST BEING THE RESULT OF A GERMAN BOMBER AND FIGHTER FORMATION NUMBERING 80 WHICH CROSSED THE KENT COAST AND AFTER FLYING A FEW MILES INLAND SPLIT INTO A NUMBER OF SMALL GROUPS.

The machines stayed over coastal districts in Kent and Sussex for a short time before being dispersed.

About 40 aircraft were used in the second attack when the raiders came over the south-east coast in a number of formations.

Before they had gone very far inland they were again intercepted by British fighters and in neither of these attacks did any enemy aircraft reach the London area.

During the third raid British fighters engaged the raiders high over the western suburbs of London.

An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security announcement issued last evening stated the enemy made four large-scale attacks on south and east areas between dawn and early afternoon and A.A. defences were constantly in action.

In the first two attacks which took place at about 9 a.m. and 10.15, respectively, the enemy crossed the coast near Dover and penetrated about 40 miles inland but none reached London.

Bexhill And Hastings

Bombs were dropped at several places in the south-east, notably Bexhill and Hastings, and some damage and casualties, some fatal, were caused in each of these towns.

About an hour later a third attack was made across the Dorset coast where the enemy was engaged. Few of his bombers penetrated any distance inland and no reports of bombs have been received.

The fourth attack was the largest and began soon after 3 p.m. About 180 aircraft flew in over Dungeness and again penetrated inland but were engaged and broken up before reaching the outskirts of London.

Western Suburbs

A few enemy aircraft however, evaded our defences and succeeded in dropping bombs in the western suburbs. Here damage was done and casualties caused, but details are not yet available.

It is officially announced that 11 enemy aircraft were destroyed up to 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

London had its fourth alert for a short period late in the afternoon.—Reuter.

AGAIN OVER LONDON LAST NIGHT

German bombers were around London again last evening but the first few hours were remarkably quiet in Central London.

German planes were reported in north-east and south-west areas of England.—Reuter.

Dorset Bombing

An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique states that late yesterday afternoon enemy aircraft approaching in three separate forces crossed the coasts of Kent and Sussex simultaneously.

Our fighters engaged the scattered enemy. A few bombs were dropped and some damage caused at a town in Dorset and a town in the Thames Valley where there were some casualties. Elsewhere damage was slight.

During the afternoon an isolated attack was made on a town in Suffolk. Houses were damaged but reports indicate casualties were very few.—Reuter.

"BAG" JUMPS TO 47

An Air Ministry report late last evening stated the day's bag of Nazi raiders had been increased to 47, one of them having been downed by A.A. guns.

Twenty-two of our fighters were lost but the pilots of 12 are safe.—Reuter.

JAPAN BLAMES ROOSEVELT

DIDN'T WANT TO DO IT!

A TOKYO MESSAGE SAYS THAT THE "JAPAN TIMES," A N ENGLISH- LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER WHICH FREQUENTLY REFLECTS THE OFFICIAL JAPANESE VIEW, YESTERDAY BITTERLY ATTACKED PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S POLICY IN THE FAR EAST.

The U.S. Government, says the paper, "forced" Japan to join the axis by a series of "stealthy incidents."

Japan, Germany and Italy could have carried on without special alliance if the "provocativeness of the United States had not been past all bearing." — Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE RAIDS

It is officially announced in Nairobi that Birikau, in Italian Somaliland, was successfully raided for the third time by the South African Air Force on Saturday.

The communique adds that administrative buildings received direct hits by heavy high explosive and incendiary bombs.

Some of the buildings were burned out.

Other South African squadrons carried out reconnaissances and have nothing to report.

All the aircraft in the operations returned safely to their base.—Reuter.

STARTLING MOVE BY U.S. GOVERNMENT

The United States Government yesterday filed suit against twenty-two major oil companies and the American Petroleum Institute, charging them with unlawful monopoly, price-fixing and conspiracy in violation of the Sherman anti-Trust Act.

The Government is asking the Federal District Court of Columbia to restrain the companies from acquiring oil reserves for monopolistic purposes and to dissolve the American Petroleum Institute.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN AIRCRAFT OUTPUT

Mr. Fadden, the Australian Air Minister, stated in Melbourne yesterday that Australia is producing two de Havilland Moth training planes daily and is now filling overseas orders for training aircraft from the surplus home supply.

He added that the output of Wirraway is already 30 planes a month.—Reuter.

COALITION SOUGHT IN AUSTRALIA

MR. MENZIES, THE AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER, IS REPORTED TO BE TAKING STEPS TO PREVENT A STALEMATE AS A RESULT OF THE GENERAL ELECTIONS, WHICH HAVE LEFT ONLY A SMALL MARGIN BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE OPPOSITION.

Mr. R. G. Menzies is inviting Mr. Cameron, Mr. Curtin and Mr. Leasley, respectively leaders of the Country, Labour and Anti-Communist Labour Parties, to meet him on Friday to discuss methods of instituting an effective government.

Mr. Menzies said that as a result of the recent elections no party will have a majority giving it clear authority in the new Parliament, and thus a National Government was the only practicable course to ensure stability and a strong war effort during the most vital period in Australian history.—Reuter.

BIG TIN DEPOSITS DISCOVERED

Tin deposits estimated by Egyptian experts at some half a million tons have been discovered in the neighbourhood of Kossair on the Red Sea Coast.

The Under-Secretary of Finance declares that these mines should produce about 15,000 tons of pure tin annually.—Reuter.

THAILAND MISSION IN INDIA

The goodwill mission from Thailand, touring India, arrived at Calcutta yesterday. The members are remaining in India until the middle of October as the guests of the Government of India.—Reuter.

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KUNMING RAIDED FROM INDO-CHINA

Foreign property suffered heavily when 27 Japanese planes from one of the newly acquired bases in Indo-China yesterday subjected Yunnan-fu to the severest raid the city has yet experienced.

There were no foreign casualties.—Reuter.

Kunming was indiscriminately bombed, the Japanese planes killing and wounding some 400 civilians and causing considerable damage to Chinese and foreign property.

The air raid alarm was sounded in the city at 10.20 a.m. when 45 Japanese aircraft were reported to have crossed the Indo-China border heading for Kunming.

About 12.30 p.m. the machines neared Kunming and were intercepted by Chinese fighters, while Chinese A.A. batteries set up a barrage.

Bombs were then indiscriminately let loose over the city by the invading aircraft.

The "all clear" was sounded at 2.30 p.m.—Our Own Correspondent.

A PLAN FOR ACTION!

Chinese official reaction to the Axis-Japanese alliance is still obscure but it is understood that China's strong disapproval will be enunciated in a statement to be made to-day.

Meanwhile the influential Chinese newspaper "Ta Kung Pao" advocates the recall of the Chinese Ambassador in Berlin.

It points out that the new three-power pact is definitely a hostile action against China, and proposes that the Chinese and British Governments should defend Burma for the protection of Singapore, and that Britain should re-open the Burma road. The newspaper adds this would enable Britain and the United States to rush supplies to China so the Chinese army can "launch a counter-offensive" against the Japanese on land while the British and American navies attack Japan by sea.—Reuter.

3 PHOTOS—IN MEMORY

Holding three photographs in his hand, the Rev. G. H. Lancaster conducted a memorial service at St. Paul's Parish Church, Wanchai, N., for all men who lost their lives when H.M.S. Grive was sunk off Dunkirk.

The photographs were those of Captain the Hon. Lionel Lambert, R.N. commander of the Grive; Tom Hughes, a sub-editor with the "Daily Mirror" before he volunteered for the Navy at the beginning of the war; and Stanley A. Hornby, signaller, a friend of the Rev. G. H. Lancaster.

Tom Hughes was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hughes, of Benton, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and among those who attended the service was his sister, who is now staying in Sussex.

Names of all who lost their lives were mentioned by Mr. Lancaster in his address.

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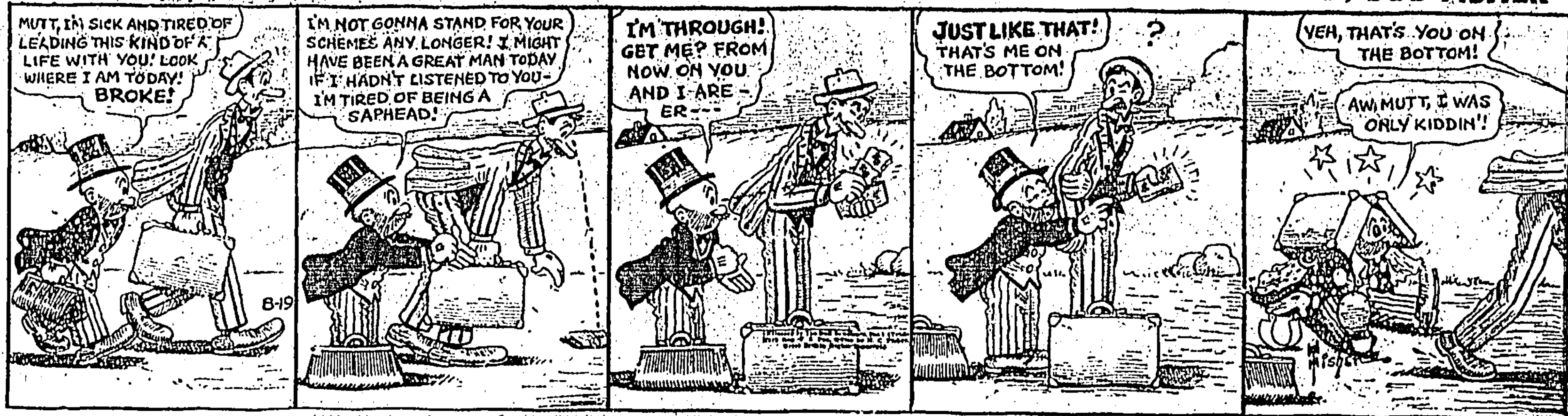
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SIR HUGH DOWDING AWARDED G.C.B.

The Air Ministry announced last night that His Majesty the King has appointed Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding to be Knight Grand Cross of the Military Division of the Order of the Bath.—Reuter.

STOCK EXCHANGE "STEADY, QUIET"

The London Stock Exchange was generally steady yesterday though trading was quiet. Gilt-edged fluctuated narrowly, and industrials' gains and losses were about equal. Kaffirs were subjected to small profit-taking. Wall Street was steady.—Reuter.

THE R.A.F. MEN who man the bombers that daily deal out destruction to military objectives in Germany are getting a little bored with the monotony — or so it would appear from several modest interviews yesterday!

"The first time we got the order to bomb Berlin we were thrilled," said a Pilot-Officer. "Now it's just another trip."

"It's not a comfortable journey because of the distance." Occasionally, the German anti-aircraft batteries keep firing at them and the weather is not always pleasant.

"But we cruise around till we hit the targets, which are easy to find," he said.

"There's really nothing to the Berlin trip," said a Sergeant-Pilot. "It's as easy as riding a bicycle."

Another Sergeant-Pilot said that at times the Nazi anti-aircraft gunners kept firing away at them both on the outward and the homeward journeys, "but it doesn't bother us now, we're used to it."

A Pilot-Officer who, before the war, used to do circus tricks on

a motor-cycle, complained that there was "no excitement at all!"

Once, an enemy fighter came within 70 yards of his plane. He with-held his fire to see what the German would do. It sheered off.

A Squadron-Leader said:—"Although we've not been very lucky so far as the weather over Berlin is concerned, there are so many land-marks we have no difficulty finding our objectives."

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One thousand girls have been released from the carpet factories for this special munitions job.

"We are very proud of them," said an official of one of the firms in Kidderminster who has temporarily released 300 girls.

"They are working at the munitions factory on three shifts of eight hours during the day and night. When the job is finished we shall take them back."

"Many of them have to get up at four o'clock in the morning and cycle for more than an hour to the railway station to catch the train. "After a rail journey they walk to the munitions factory."

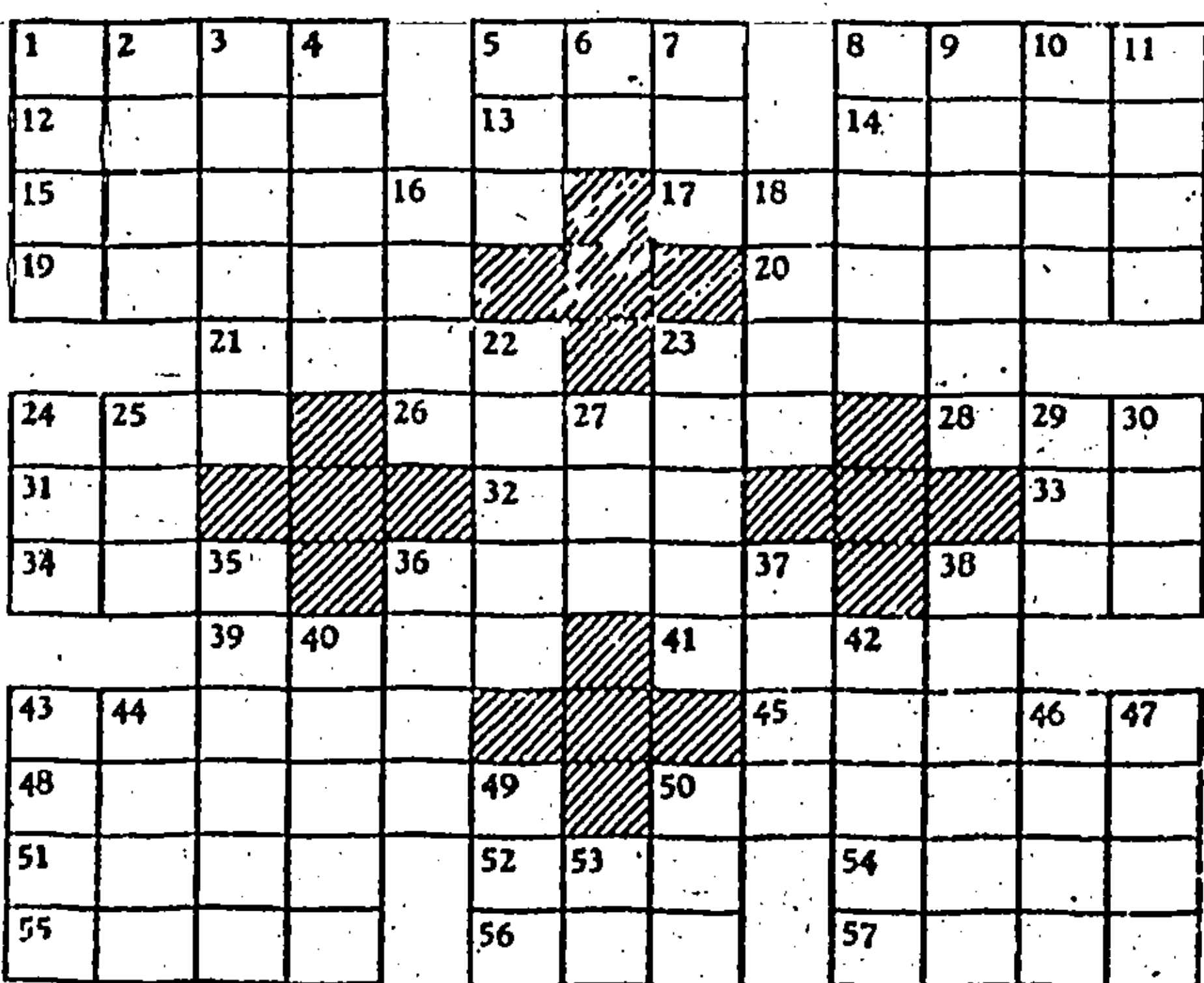
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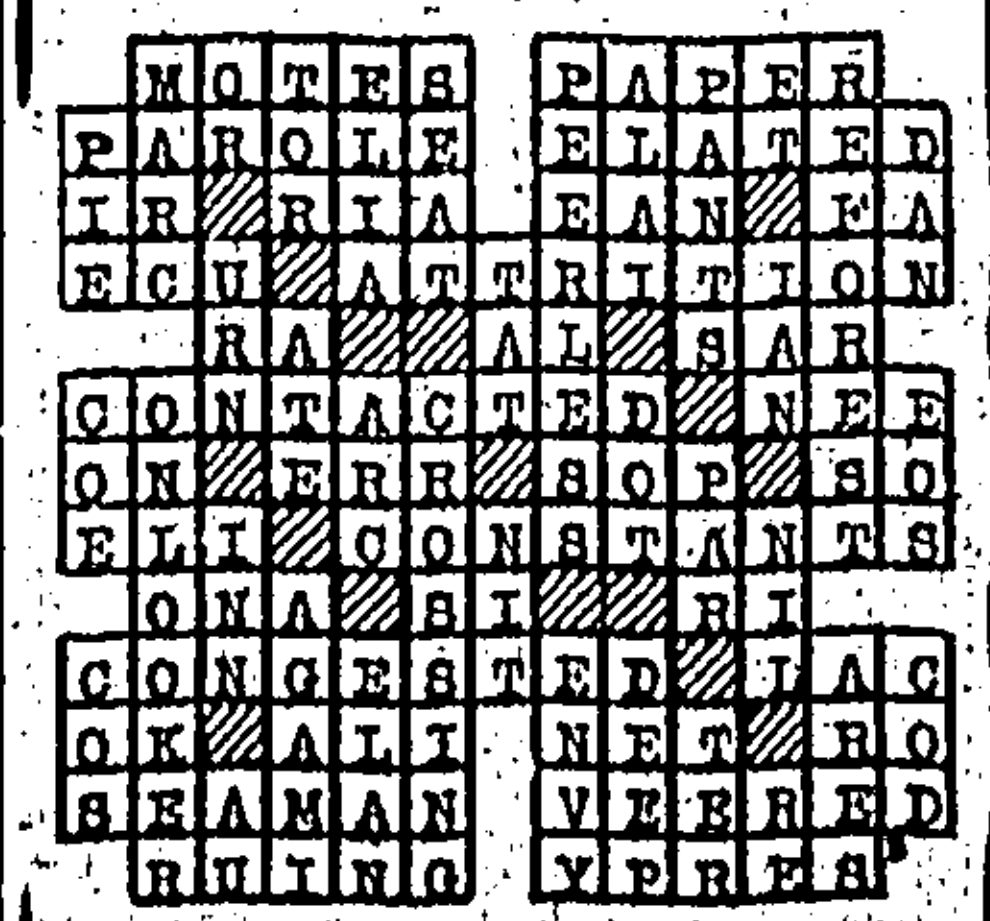
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- Slam
 - Dance step
 - Nothing more than
 - To converse
 - Tropical blackbird
 - Mohammedan governor
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 - Toward the centre
 - Regulates the food of
 - Solar disk
 - To look closely
 - Amusement
 - Gannet
 - Muscle: as written
 - Land measure
 - Brazilian coin
 - Paid notice
 - To immerse
 - Sacred song
 - Compact mass
 - Curved molding
 - Rail

- VERTICAL**
- Shop
 - Long elevation
 - Cylindrical
 - Frankness
 - To the sheltered side
 - Card game
 - Happy
 - Unit of measure
 - Parcel of land
 - Bristle

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- Pain
 - At that time
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 - Arabian seaport
 - Pertaining to the Scandinavian countries
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 - Swiss canton
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 - Japanese pagoda
 - To append
 - Less well-off
 - Lake-trout
 - Law: delay
 - To walk awkwardly
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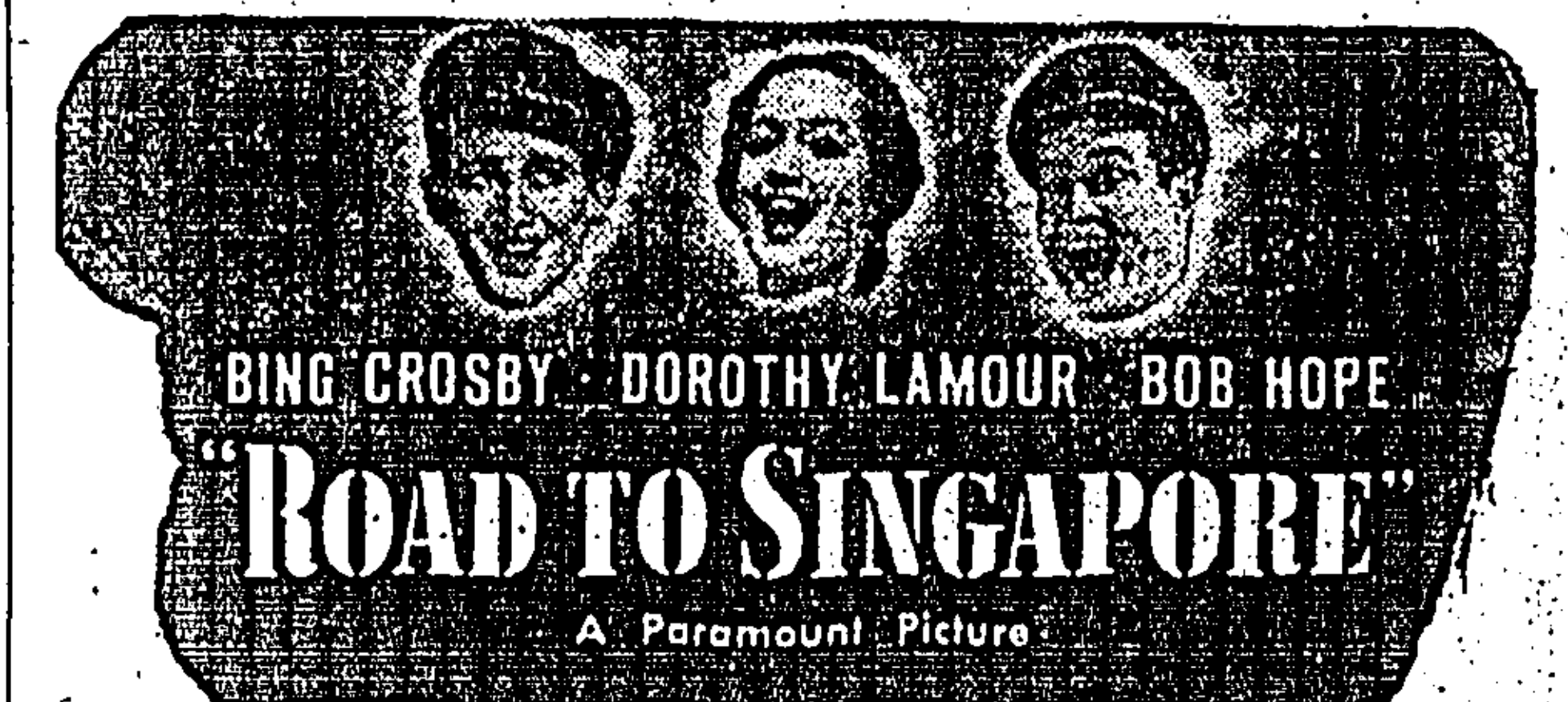
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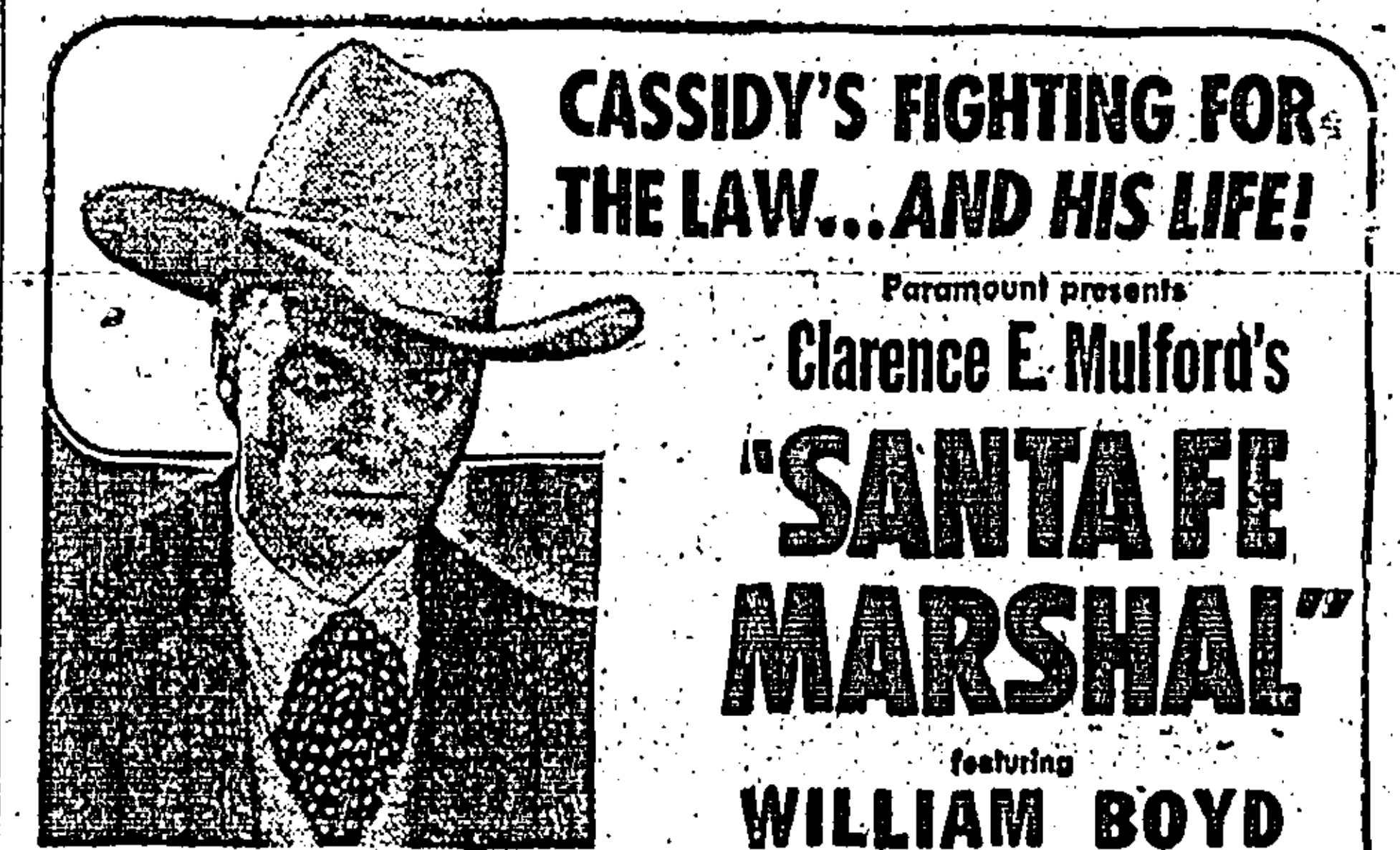


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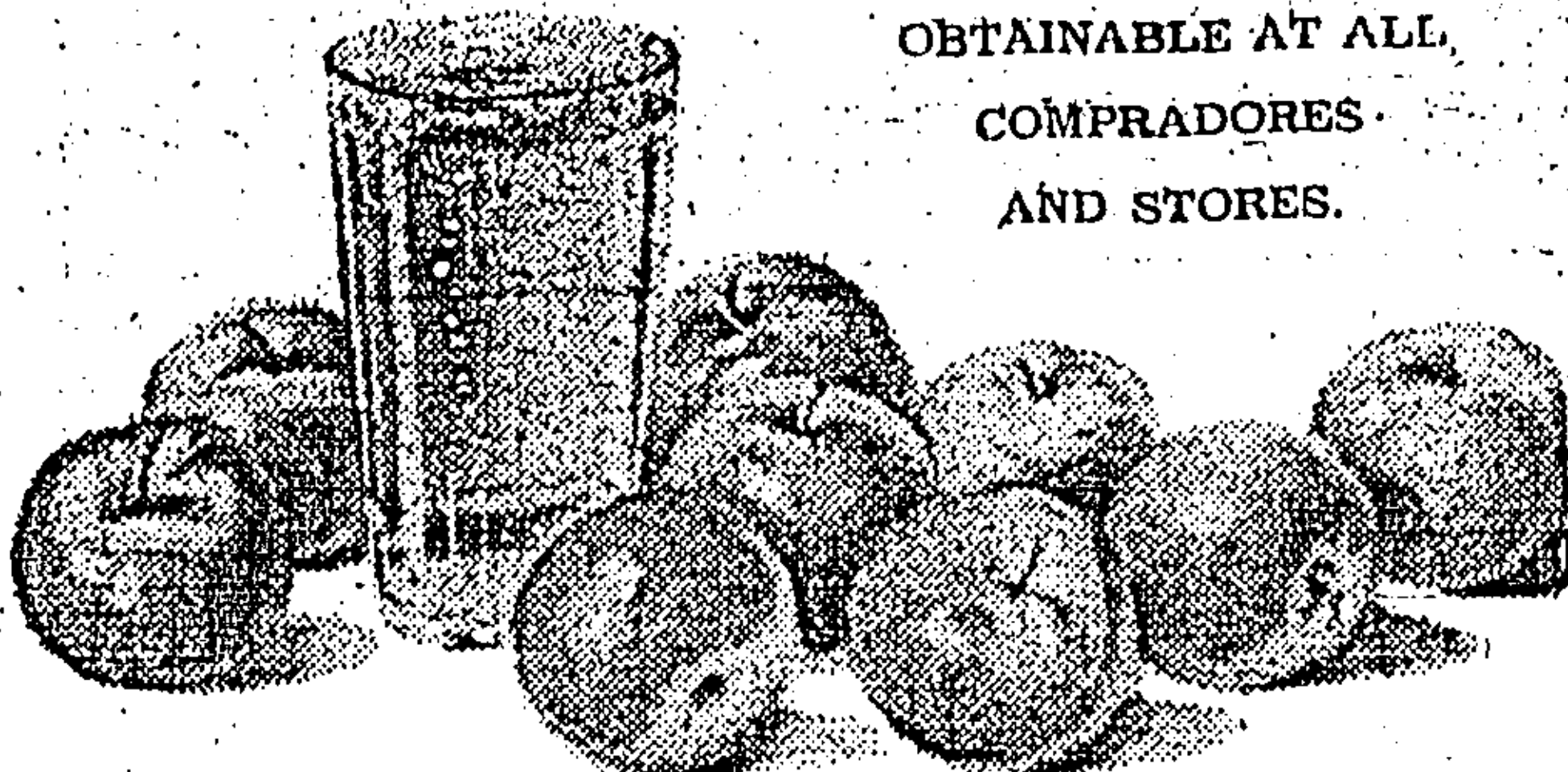


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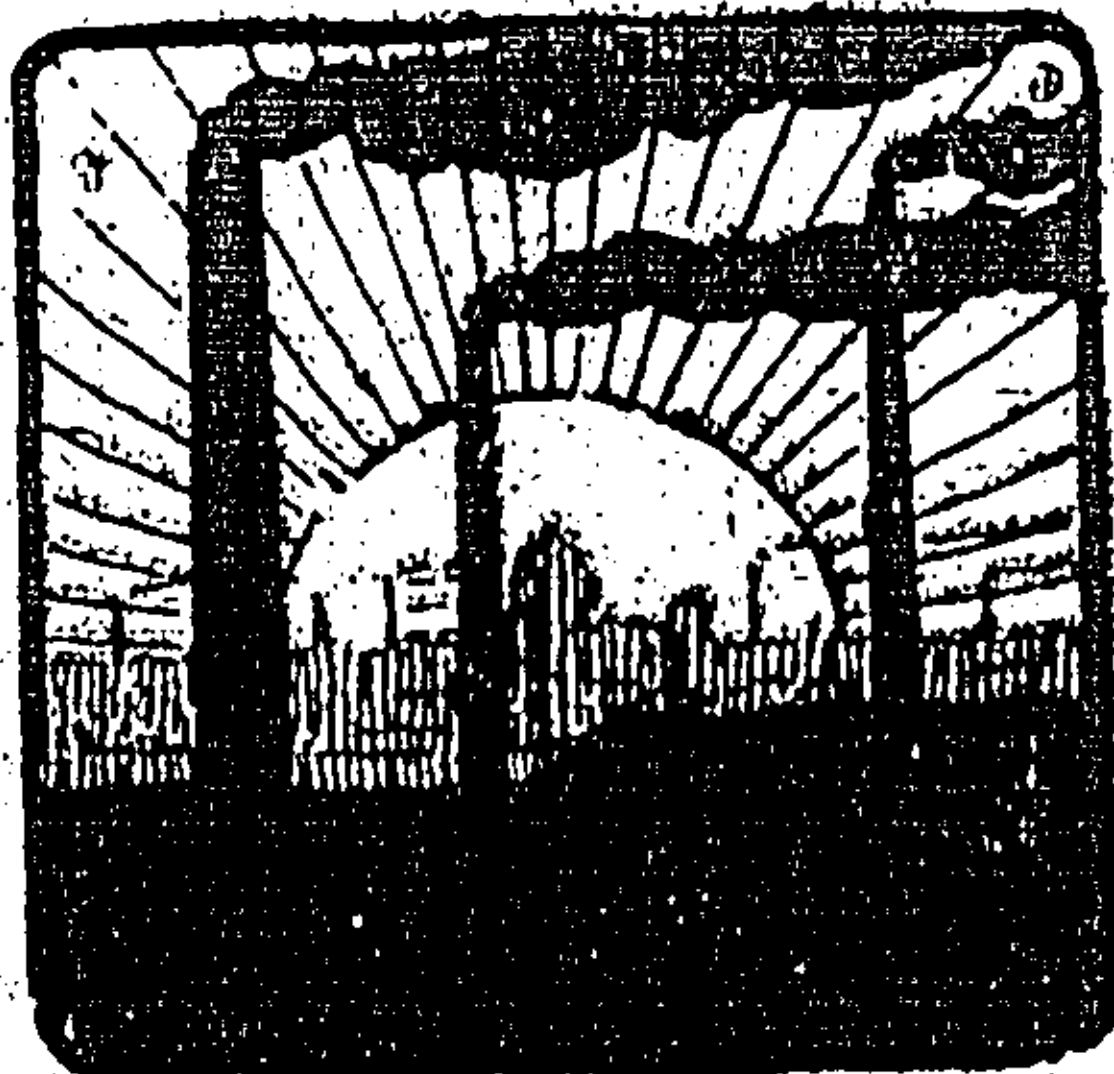
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Robert Taylor, who plays the leading male role opposite Hedy Lamarr in "Lady of the Tropics," will start work on a new picture assignment this week in "Remember." His leading lady will be Greer Garson, who last was seen in "Goodbye Mr. Chips."

COLONEL HERO OF LOST LEGION

A LARGE SWASTIKA FLAG which once flew from the stern of a German warship is the trophy of the French Foreign Legion who fought at Narvik and are now in camp in Britain with other members of General de Gaulle's forces.

The flag hangs in the office of the colonel commanding the legion, who cherish it as their finest souvenir of the war.

The colonel wears spectacles and strives to conceal a limp. His fingers are awkward when he picks up a paper from his desk—and hundreds of the most stubborn, courageous soldiers in the world spring to obey his orders with the eagerness which only admiration can command.

For this quiet, limping figure in the fawn beret is worshipped as one of the most gallant soldiers of France by his men—some of the toughest fighters in Europe.

The colonel hobbles across an English parade ground now to review the many hundreds of his Legionnaires, for they form part of the Army of All Free Frenchmen under General de Gaulle.

Their names are their secret, for these warriors form a Legion of Lost Men. France believes that half of them have perished, and they are content that there should be that belief.

If their names were known—"We still have relatives on the Continent," they say with a shrug.

Five rows of medal ribbons show bright against the Colonel's faded tunic to tell of campaigns in every clime.

"But he's got lots more," the Englishwoman, Lieutenant R. Ford, who is his driver, told a reporter.

"Ten times the palms have been added to his Croix de Guerre. He walks with a limp because one leg is 2in. shorter than the other—a shot in the thigh did that.

"His fingers are stiff and awkward from the wounds he received in his hands. His skull is scarred from three trepanning operations. Seven times he has been wounded.

She Fights On

"Twice in the last war he fell into the hands of the Germans, twice he escaped. He led his men into Narvik, and the swastika flag in his office is a trophy of the capture of that town.

Lieutenant Ford wears the uniform of France. She was the

only English officer in the Frenchwomen's ambulance unit, and with her convoy of ambulances loaded with wounded she made her way from a point near the Luxembourg frontier to the south of France.

She came to England, where she will continue to serve beside the Frenchmen who fight on.

They have been in Britain a month, now, these men of forty-two nationalities. Poles, Swiss, Arabs, Greeks, Spaniards, a Georgian nobleman and odd Englishman, men from every corner of the world.

They are itching to be up and doing. One, with seventeen

"I DON'T KNOW MOSLEY"

.... Lord Redesdale

Lord Redesdale, whose daughter married Sir Oswald Mosley, is bitterly opposed to Fascism and "does not even know" his son-in-law.

These statements were made by Lord Redesdale on his return to London from his home on the Scottish island of Inch Kenneth.

"In view of recent questions in the House of Commons concerning myself and my home in Scotland, in which I have been described as an associate of the Fascists, I desire to make the following statement," he said.

"I have always been most bitterly opposed to any form of Fascism, and can only suppose that I am believed to be a Fascist because my daughter married Sir Oswald Mosley.

"This marriage, however, was a secret one, and I was not told of it till months after it had taken place.

"In point of fact, however, I do not even know Sir Oswald Mosley. I have seen him on only two occasions, both some years ago.

"On the first I was introduced to him in someone else's house, and said, 'How do you do?'; on the second I did not even speak to him, nor have I ever attended any of his public or private meetings.

"I certainly blame no man who, at this moment, does or says anything which he believes, on the information he has, to be in the interests of the safety of the country.

"But I am very anxious indeed to make it quite plain once and for all that this charge against me is completely untrue."

The statement was signed by Lord Redesdale.

"I'M NO FASCIST"

Monty Banks, the film producer husband of Gracie Fields, denied the allegation made in a House of Commons question that he is a Fascist.

"I happened to be born in Italy but I have no political views. I'm certainly not Fascist," he said in an interview.

"It's strange that people who were my friends in England are turning against me. I made lots of money for the English film industry and very little for myself. And all the money I possess is in an English bank."

years of fighting in Morocco, Algiers, China, Norway and France, is, in particular, shaming at the bit.

This last month has been the longest period he has ever had without a scrap.

Yet, the manager of the N.A.A.F.I. canteen where they eat, said that these warriors are the best-behaved men he has ever had to serve.

THEIR WAR AID -- FAIRY TALES

SIXTY-TWO WOMEN have qualified at a famous University in the art of telling fairy-stories and generally amusing and caring for children during and after air raids. There were nine lectures in the course.

The women are the first of the North-East's newest type of national service workers—children's wardens. Many more are likely to be trained.

The pioneers of the corps are mainly women between thirty and forty years of age and are drawn from middle-class homes in the area. Many have husbands in the Forces or have had their children evacuated.

Professor Brian Stanley told a reporter: "The idea of training women as children's wardens came from one of my staff—Miss Mary Atkinson.

"The women have had a thorough training in such things as the type of story to tell children of different ages, the making of simple articles, such as paper hats from old newspapers and elementary first aid.

"Their main job will be to keep children's minds occupied not only during an air raid,

but for as long as twenty-four hours afterwards, so that the children will not want to run into the streets and see damage and any casualties still lying around."

They Have "Iron Rations"

Another novel idea is reported from Cheshire, where schoolchildren are carrying "Iron Rations" as well as their gas masks.

The scheme was suggested by a teacher to ensure that if the children were kept in their shelters by an air raid for several hours they need not go hungry. Each child carries a tin containing plain biscuits and some chocolate.

The scheme has been enthusiastically adopted by schools in the county," Miss E. Wright, headmistress of Gatley Primary School said.

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IRRESISTIBLE?

The alliance between Tokyo and the Axis, factually, changes little. What was understood is now openly professed.

It will do Britain more good than harm, however, if, as is likely, its effect is to bring home to Americans how close they are to actual conflict, how circumstances are compelling them to a decision, or at least to a long-range defence policy which will involve stinting themselves in order that Britain be maintained in the forefront in overwhelming strength.

If world conditions were such that a nation could keep out of war simply by not being disposed to go to war, these arguments would have some force. But Europe has seen one nation after another overrun whose deepest desire was to be left in peace. Even isolationists generally accept the thesis that the only way for America safely to assume it will not have to go to war is to be prepared for it if it comes.

On this premise, however, the three contentions of the die-hard isolationists boil down to strange and grim conclusions. Thus:

To hold that one should not begin to fight until his country is invaded is, in effect, to prefer that war should be fought on American soil, destroying American homes, giving hostages of American resources rather than that its tide should be met and turned back before it reaches United States shores.

Those who oppose furnishing assistance to Britain may reasonably be asked, "Do you mean you would rather wait until the lives of American sailors instead of British sailors shall be risked in operating destroyers, and do you prefer that the American Army and Navy should have to fight—possibly Japan and Germany at once—without an ally in the world rather than with one?"

Finally, those who plead to save American youth from conscription and training in peacetime for defence are advocating a complacent course that may result in these young men being sent into battle as the most helpless kind of "cannon fodder"—untrained troops—instead of skilled in how to protect themselves.

The people who take these positions are for the most part keenly conscientious. They are try-



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Four Military Tasks

Four military tasks confront this country in its present situation: (1) Repelling (or, better still, destroying) effective invasion; (2) Imposing blockade on the enemy; (3) Raising the enemy's counter-blockade; (4) Ultimately taking offensive. This last point is commonly understated or omitted; its necessity will be explained when we reach it.

These four acts are neither consecutive nor indissoluble. The first three might come into play simultaneously or only two of them might. Their connection is not necessary or indissoluble either because one of them, invasion, is a separate proposition from the rest, while the last one, the counter-offensive, takes on its full value only when all the other three are accounted for. But complete failure in any one of these acts would mean defeat according to the degree of that failure, while failure in the first, the repelling of the effective invasion, would mean defeat of all the rest. Upon the carrying out of these acts, and especially the last, the counter-offensive, depends the survival of this country in the national position it has held for generations.

Invaders' Task

1.—Repelling effective invasion. Only effective invasion is to be considered, i.e., massive invasion on a scale permitting full and permanent occupation and compelling the destruction or capture of the defence. If such invasion succeeds it succeeds altogether. No partial success is possible, that is, no partial success could be of final service to the enemy, because whatever sufficient body of resistance remained would in the nature of things be increasingly reinforced by the defence with its much greater resources and world-wide connections (supposing, of course, that communication by sea were not interrupted). If effective invasion on a large scale and occupying the invaded territory fully is successful nothing could oust it or destroy it, save a fully equipped and fully organised army on the same scale at least as the invader's own forces.

Now the conditions of effective invasion on such a scale are simple and known to everybody: they

ing to think in humane and sympathetic terms. Yet is this true solicitude for American youth and civilised behaviour in the world?

mean (a) the establishment of two or more bridgeheads and (b) the maintenance of permanent communications overseas between those bridgeheads and the enemy's sources of supply in men and munitionment from the continent. As to (a), it is by no means an impossible task, beginning on a reduced scale and increasing after the bridgeheads were established. More than one bridgehead and preferably widely separated bridgeheads are a condition of such invasion, because an isolated bridgehead would invite immediate and overwhelming naval and military concentration against its small beginnings. Therefore feint and diversion are necessary to the invader.

Problem Never Solved

Such bridgeheads, we say, are conceivable enough. The military opposition to them from within might well be at first insufficient and the naval threat against them from without would at first be

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scattered, awaiting concentration. It is rather the second condition, the maintenance of permanent communications between the bridgeheads and the continent, which presents the most formidable difficulties. No doubt the enemy has built and concentrated transport and has added also by new building to his striking power by sea. No doubt along comparatively short and narrow lanes great superiority in the air might guarantee transport temporarily.

But temporary transport would be worthless. Transport would have to be permanent and on a very large scale indeed. This is true even of the supplies required for the personnel, and when we add to this the very great difficulties of conveying and landing the heavy material, tanks and artillery and munitionment, which the effort would require, it should be manifest that the establishment of permanent communications by the enemy between his bases and his invading forces would present a problem never yet solved and perhaps insoluble.

The Kernel

When we consider that the main obstacle to any such action is still the fleet, which in mere numbers remains overwhelmingly superior to anything the enemy can have provided, and in trained personnel is still more strikingly superior,

the full nature of the problem will be apparent. In marine gunnery alone the defence outclasses the offensive by sea, and on the one side you have a professional personnel formed by years of long training, on the other a short-service conscript personnel. The difference is not to be neglected.

The maintenance of permanent communications therefore is the kernel of the invasion business from the point of view of the enemy, and is by far the heaviest of his tasks, perhaps beyond power of accomplishment.

It may be argued that invasion being now possible not only by sea but by air, such arguments as these are obsolete. That is indeed the contention of those who, on the enemy side, have been most hopeful of success. But the use of the air for invasion must consider the excellence of the numerically inferior air force on the side of the defence. This superiority in quality is, as we have constantly pointed out, increasing. Wherever the enemy has hitherto struck with full success he has met with no adequate resistance in this arm; here he would meet with high resistance.

Air Blockade

2.—Imposing blockade. Supposing invasion on sufficient scale be not attempted, the defensive would rely upon the traditional power of blockade and the offensive (that is the enemy action against us) upon the novel experiment of counter-blockade, the closing of our ports by enemy action from the air.

The enemy has rightly insisted upon the much greater difficulty which our effort at blockading him will suffer from the extension of the approaches to be watched. Until lately it sufficed to watch the issues of the North Sea and the Channel. It is now necessary to consider all the French Atlantic coast and, of course, the entries to the Mediterranean, which included the entry of the Red Sea. Nor can blockade be imposed even with a wholly superior naval power, on supplies across the Near East and the Black Sea.

On all these accounts the enemy has affirmed the impossibility of the old-fashioned blockade against him being established under present conditions. It is to be remarked that neutral opinion, so far as it can be gauged by the neutral Press, inclines to the enemy's thesis here; but only experience can decide.

3.—Raising the counter-blockade. Can the enemy establish a counter-blockade and, if so, could the defence raise it when it was established or in course of establishment?

As for the first of these questions the difficulties in the enemy's way appear on inspection to be as formidable here as in any other department. The great extent of our own coastline and the great number of available ports, coupled with the obvious fact that the defence possesses interior lines, are the conditions adverse to a counter-blockade of this island by the enemy. It has not as yet been really attempted. The main arm against it (which is defence from the air) works at the shortest possible ranges and from bases which are, like every other form of island defence, upon interior lines.

The Final Decision

4.—Counter-offensive. The fourth point we have called the most essential. It is the point of an ultimate counter-offensive against the enemy. In all human conflict there can be but two forms of conclusive action. One is the offensive, carried on from start to finish till a decision is reached; the other is the defensive, and the defensive can have only one object which is the gaining of time in which to develop the opportunities for an offensive later on. A permanent defensive is inconceivable as a method. It is a contradiction in terms. The most powerful defensive systems in history (of which perhaps the crusading Syrian castles were for their period the best examples) have never served for defence only but always for ultimate counter-offensive. Lacking the success of this last, a defensive system has always failed and must fail.

Now, what are the opportunities for the counter-offensive on our side in the present struggle? The moral factors are numerous, the chief among them being the general opinion of the civilised world and the growing reaction of those whom the enemy has oppressed, occupied, and massacred. But neglecting this imponderable, which cannot be measured or decisively discussed, there is one major opportunity for counter-offensive from our side. That opportunity not only remains intact so long as invasion is repelled but continually increases in value. It is the use of the air arm.

The knowledge of this makes the enemy subject to the conditions of a comparatively short war. He may, for purposes of ease, talk otherwise, but he knows well enough that unless he can occupy the base from which he will be attacked, which base is this island, the ultimate increasing superiority of the air arm, not only in quality but in quantity, will involve a decision against him.



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NO GAG ON THE BRITISH PRESS

ATTEMPTS TO GAG the British Press have been dropped. The Ministry of Information announced that there would be no compulsory censorship. The present system of voluntary censorship will stay.

This is the Government's decision. The announcement was made as Lord Strabolgi, speaking in London to the National Council for Civil Liberties, declared:—

"If the British Press had been regimented, as some authorities seem to desire, there would have been no change of Government last May, and we should now be well on our way to defeat."

"The freedom of the Press is doubly necessary since the former Oppositions in Parliament have entered the Government."

"The British Press, the finest in the world, should be its own censor. A free Press will help us to win the war."

In the Ministry announcement Mr. Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, disclaimed all intention of interfering with the free expression of opinion.

Somebody Had The Idea

The announcement also revealed that the Press had flatly told him it would oppose any compulsory censorship.

The idea—and presumably somebody had it—was dropped.

The Ministry found it necessary to issue more assurances that its "Silent Column" campaign was no attack on free speech.

One assurance came from its Parliamentary Secretary, Mr. Harold Nicolson.

He spoke at a "Silent Column" demonstration at Hendon, Middlesex.

Fifteen thousand people were there. But Mr. Nicolson was not the only draw.

The Ministry had decided to make propaganda attractive. It provided entertainment by Jack Warner, Renee Houston and Donald Stewart, Will Fyffe, Flotsam and Jetsam, Will Hay, Lucan and McShane.

After a two-hour, all-star show the crowd went away singing—and trying to remember just what Mr. Nicolson said.

He said the Ministry of Information bore no resemblance to the Goebbels factory. It did not want any Gestapo atmosphere in Britain.

"The campaign against rumour is irritating to a free people, but we have no wish to restrict human converse or to damp neighbourly gossip," he went on.

Safety Valves

"Our purpose is to warn the public that our enemies rely on rumour to create confusion, spread despondency, elicit valuable information and diminish confidence."

"We do not want people to cease talking to each other or to regard every questioner with the cold eye of suspicion. We want people to be more friendly and neighbourly than they have been."

"Grouse and grumble are safety valves which have enabled this old boiler of ours to carry on through many tempests without explosion."

"Men and women can prevent our enemies from deriving from careless conversation information of military value; prevent our enemies spreading anxiety by alarming stories; prevent gloomy talk from undermining the will power of the people."

"Talk more than you have ever talked before, but talk of victory."

Give News Quickly

He praised the "good sense, the patience, admirable temper and very real intelligence with which the Press have cooperated with the Ministry" in the system of voluntary censorship.

What Mr. Nicolson did not tell his audience was that the most effective way of preventing or killing rumour is a speedier release—compatible with national interests—by the Ministry of news of national importance.

An M.P. is to attack the "Silent Column."

Mr. Kenneth Lindsay (N. Lab., Kilmarnock) is to ask the Prime Minister "whether he is aware that the policy of the formation of silent columns, of the regulation relating to the spreading of gloom and despondency, and the arbitrary arrest and release of British citizens is diminishing the bracing effects of his own speeches and broadcasts and belittling the loyalty and intelligence of the British people."

BRITAIN WINS TOY TRADE WAR

The doll the little Peruvian girl fondles and the model aeroplane that is the joy of some small boy in the Dutch East Indies is no longer "Made in Germany"—it has come from one of Britain's busy toy factories.

Since war began exports of British manufactured toys have increased by 50 per cent. British firms have seized markets in China, the Dutch East Indies, Chile, Peru, the Argentine, the U.S.A. and in other foreign countries previously monopolised by Germany.

The Government is giving toy manufacturers special facilities for export trade, and the restrictions on raw materials for toys for the home market do not apply to toys going abroad.

The director of a large toy-making works in South London told a reporter, "We can't just make enough dolls to meet the demand. Our trade has increased by 100 per cent. since last September."

Dolls The Biggest Line

"Dolls are by far our biggest line of manufacture. They go out in their thousands to South America, and in spite of the 70 per cent. duty on toys going into the United States, we are doing an enormous trade there, too."

"Other big customers for all kinds of toys are South Africa and India, and the Dominions and Colonies generally are large buyers of British-made toys."

"The increase in overseas markets and the number of new orders has meant full time work for our factory. Some departments can only meet the demand by working overtime."

About the only markets left to German toy makers are in the Balkans—but these are small.

RUMOUR COST £42

A member of the Observer Corps, who spread the rumour that two parachutists had been dropped at Wigmore, Herefordshire, and four at Bewdley and had been caught, was fined £30 with £12 16s. costs at Leominster.

He was Percy Arnold Brown of Ludlow. It was stated that he went to Ludlow Police Station and was told the rumour was untrue and subsequently motorised to Wigmore and found there was no truth in the report. He then returned home to Ludlow and on his way stopped five people and told them that six parachutists had been caught.

CHURCH AID FOR COAST AREAS

A sufficiency of spiritual care will be secured for those remaining in evacuation areas, writes the Archbishop of Canterbury in his "Diocesan Gazette."

"If orders for compulsory evacuation are issued, plainly some of our churches will become redundant," he says. "A recent measure gives legal powers to close such churches and to arrange for the transfer of the clergy to places where their services may be more useful."

"Where the need arises I shall not hesitate to use these powers."

EVACUEES STRANDED

Mr. F. C. Blair, Canadian Director of Immigration, revealed that several hundred persons, including some children with adults from Britain, were stranded in Canada because friends and relatives who had invited them were failing in their obligations. "These friends had not realised their financial responsibilities as money could not be imported," Reuter.

SIDELIGHTS OF RAIDS ON BRITAIN

STRANGE THINGS, many unrecorded, are happening every day in air-raided Britain. Here are some of the minor events which show how the British civilian is dealing with war-time emergencies.

A Dornier, riddled with a spitfire's bullets, fled south over the Thames estuary. Suddenly its tail snapped off and the bomber crashed — in a field near some houses. When householders hurried over they found two of the crew badly injured, the other two unhurt.

They took the uninjured men to a house and decided that they had better be separated. So one of the Germans was invited to take a bath. He accepted — and was locked in the bathroom until soldiers arrived.

In south-east England a Nazi fighter landed in a freshly cut cornfield. Railwaymen working on the line went over and took the pilot prisoner.

But of course they had to get on with their own job. So they left the airman in the cornfield — after taking away his boots and socks. The Nazi did not even try to escape.

Rural Council Solemnity

A meeting of the rural council was being held in a south-eastern district when raiders were reported in the vicinity.

Solemnly the chairman rose and proposed: "That this meeting do adjourn to an air-raid shelter."

Solemnly a councillor rose: "I beg leave to second the motion."

Solemnly the councillors raised their hands. The chairman declared the motion carried. And solemnly they walked to an air-raid shelter where the business of the meeting was continued.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith were walking through the streets of a south-eastern town, when a raid began. They carried a jug and a saucer and they were going to their old home, destroyed by bombs a month ago. They went on walking during the raid because they were expected — by Smuts, their cat.

Although Mr. and Mrs. Smith have a new home, Smuts refuses to leave the bricks and wood where he always lived. They have tried everything to get him away. Now they are resigned to taking the cat his food every day among the ruins of their own home.

Downed During Funeral

Overhead on the south-east coast raged a terrific air battle. Below, a funeral procession wound its slow way to the cemetery. Men in R.A.F. uniform carried the coffin. An R.A.F. chaplain conducted the service. Above one of the Nazi planes fell in back smoke. Below, the mourners lowered into its grave the body of a young German airman, brought down four days earlier.

During the Ransom murder trial at Tonbridge, Kent, raiders were reported.

"Very inconsiderate people overhead" remarked Mr. G. R. Paling, prosecuting counsel. With that the witness continued his evidence.

WOMAN BECOMES MAJOR

For the first time a woman doctor is to hold senior Army rank. Dr. Anna Reaveley Glover, of the R.A.M.C., has been appointed Deputy Assistant Director of Medical Services for the A.T.S. Eastern Command.

She will rank as a major, wear a major's badge, and receive the ordinary pay and allowances of an R.A.M.C. major. But she will still be addressed as "Doctor."

FUNNIEST STORY FROM ROME

"IF THE BRITISH PEOPLE COULD EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS BY A PLEBISCITE, FROM SEVENTY-FIVE TO EIGHTY PER CENT. WOULD ACCEPT THE HAND WHICH HITLER OFFERS," SAYS THE "POPOLO D'ITALIA."

"If Britain were ruled by men of the calibre of Henry VIII, Cromwell, Pitt, Disraeli, or Gladstone, she would accept the salvation offered by the Axis."

"Under the present regime the English people are unable to manifest their real feelings."

"The silence of Lloyd George is an indication of his disapproval." — British United Press.

FOUND LOVE AT A.R.P. TALKS

A.R.P. has brought about the marriage of Mr. Charles Ingman-Price, thirty-nine of Park Road, Twickenham, and Miss Joan Hounsfield, twenty-seven, of Richmond Hill Court, Richmond.

They met at A.R.P. lectures. When they had passed their examinations they were sent to the same A.R.P. warden's post, where Mr. Ingman-Price became post warden and Miss Hounsfield became deputy post warden.

SHOT HIS MAJOR, GAOLED

A Pioneer Corps corporal who was said to have nursed a grievance, gone on drinking till his "molehills" became mountains, then shot and wounded his commanding officer, was sentenced at the Old Bailey to three years' penal servitude.

He was Corporal Walter Ernest Dewberry, aged thirty-two, who was found guilty of wounding Major Cyril Ernest Butler at Boreham Wood.

L.D.V. TRAPS 3 NAZI AIRMEN

THREE GERMAN AIRMEN were captured by a Local Defence volunteer when a Dornier bomber was shot down by three R.A.F. fighters after a battle over south-west England. The L.D.V.'s son, an R.A.M.C. private, attended to the wounds of two of the crew.

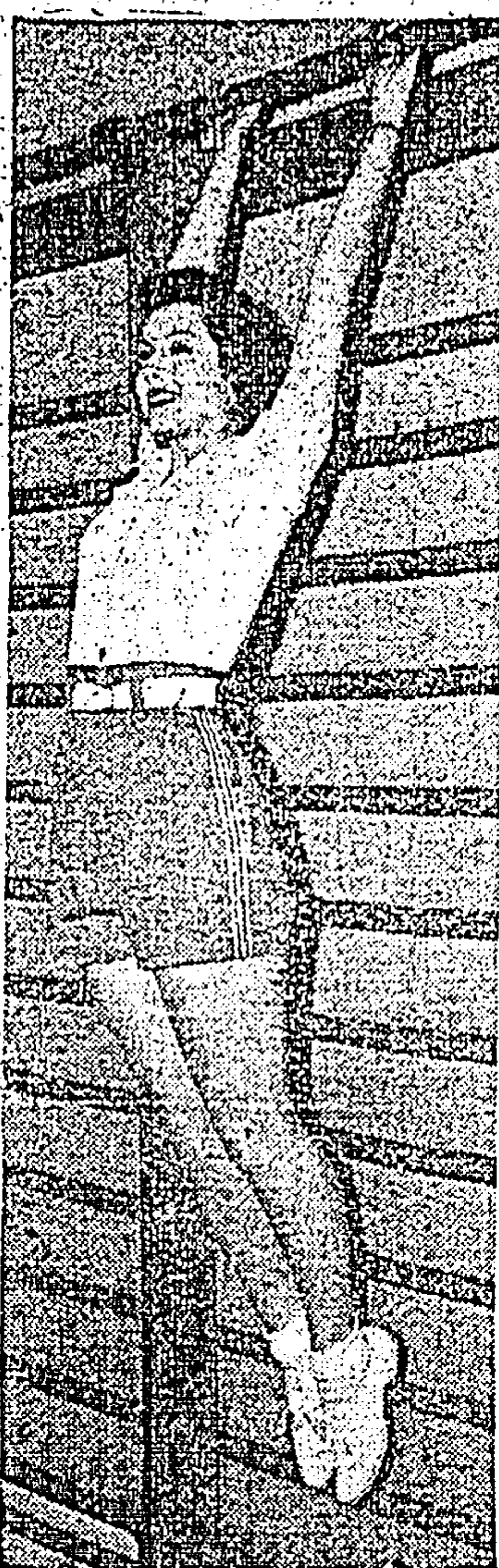
"There was nothing in it," Captain Phillips told a reporter later.

"I was motoring when I saw the bomber shot down by our fighters. I hurriedly put on my L.D.V. armband and flourishing my revolver ran towards where the plane was lying."

"Two of the crew were wounded, and they had already been pulled clear by the third German airman."

"The men offered no resistance and I disarmed them."

"My son, who is a private in the R.A.M.C., was with me, and he attended to the injuries of the



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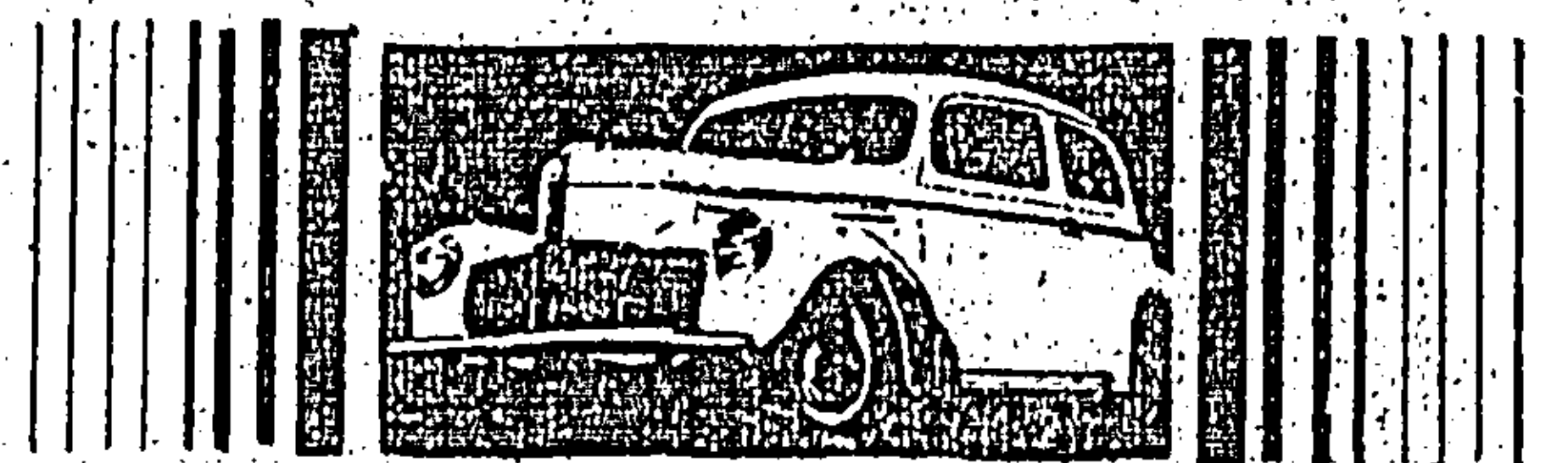
The Mayor and Mayoress saw them off, but parents were excluded from the station.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

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Secretary.

Hong Kong, 30th September, 1940

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BRIDGE NOTES

(By The Four Aces)

A DESPERATION MEASURE

"What would you do if you were East?" asks R. C. C. of Worcester, Mass. "And if you would make the winning play, can you give a logical reason?"

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♥ 9 6
♦ 10 6 3
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♠ J 10 9 6 3
♥ A 10 6
♦ 7 4
♣ Q 6 3

The bidding:
West North East South
1♠ 2♣ Pass 2♠
Pass 3♦ Pass 3♠
Pass 4NT Pass 5♦
Pass 6♠ Pass Pass

"We are all agreed that the bidding was pretty poor, but it's the play that intrigues us. The only way South can make his contract, the opening club lead, is to trump in dummy, return to his hand with a high heart, and take the spade finesse.

"Now, if East takes his King of spades, the contract is home, if, however, he lays off, there's no way of making the contract. What would you do if you were East?" We would refuse to win the trick. South can quite evidently win four trumps in his own hand and one in the dummy, five hearts, and two diamonds. Taking the spade King cannot interfere with the winning of those tricks. Refusing the trick may give South trouble — either by steering him into a bad play or, as is the actual case, by leaving him no chance.

In other words, we cannot find a definite logical reason for holding off, but see no other likely chance to defeat the contract. It's a desperation measure rather than a reasoned play.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ Q 7 3
♥ A 6 4 2
♦ A 10 8 4
♣ K 2

The bidding:
Schenken Jacoby You Burnstone
1♠ Pass 1♦ Pass
1♠ Pass (?)

ANSWER: Bid two no-trump. You have strength in both red suits and solidifying cards in the black suits. Game is very likely. Score 100% for two no-trump, 40% for two hearts, 30% for two spades, 20% for two clubs.

QUESTION NO. 529
To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

Schenken Jacoby You Burnstone
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1♠ Pass 2NT Pass
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PLIGHTS TROTH FOR DEAD SON

THE LAST REQUEST of Private Edward Potts, of the Worcestershire Regiment, to the woman who had been a mother to him since she adopted him as a six-week-old baby, was to ask her sanction and blessing to his engagement to an eighteen-year-old servant girl, Kathleen Canning.

But Potts was killed in action before he could get home to place the ring on the finger of the girl he hoped to marry.

Later in the little house in Waterloo Street, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire, grey-haired Mrs. Arnold, who adopted Potts when his mother died, placed the new engagement ring on Kathleen's finger.

Standing by the photograph of her soldier lover, Kathleen wept as the ring slipped on to her finger. Silently she vowed she would wear it all her life and would never marry.

"I bought the ring for Kathleen and we arranged this little ceremony when we heard that Edward had been killed," Mrs. Arnold told a reporter.

"I placed the ring on her finger just as my boy would have done. I asked her to wear it all her life. I am sure if she ever becomes engaged to another boy he would not object to her wearing it in memory of Edward."

"I adopted him when he was six weeks old. I have two sons of my own."

"It would have been the happiest day of my life to have seen him place the ring on her finger."

"I Shall Never Wed"

"But I did it for him. I kissed Kathleen after I had given her the ring just as my boy would have done."

At her employer's home in Kenilworth Road, Leamington Spa, Kathleen showed a reporter her ring and said: "I shall wear this all my life. No man could ever replace him, and so I shall never marry."

CAT HAD KITTENS IN BABY'S GAS HELMET

Baby had no use for its gas helmet in a Manchester home, so the cat took up residence there and founded a family in it.

This was stated when Mrs. Margaret Tyrer, of Melbourne Street, Hulme, was fined 10s. for failing to take reasonable care of the helmet.

She admitted that she had not cleaned the helmet, although she knew the cat had kittens in it. Mrs. Tyrer, mother of seven children returned the helmet to the authorities and asked for a child's respirator in exchange.



Musical Marge was just learning to read music when the folks next door asked her if she'd mind reading to herself.

WHAT STOMACH SUFFERERS CAN EAT

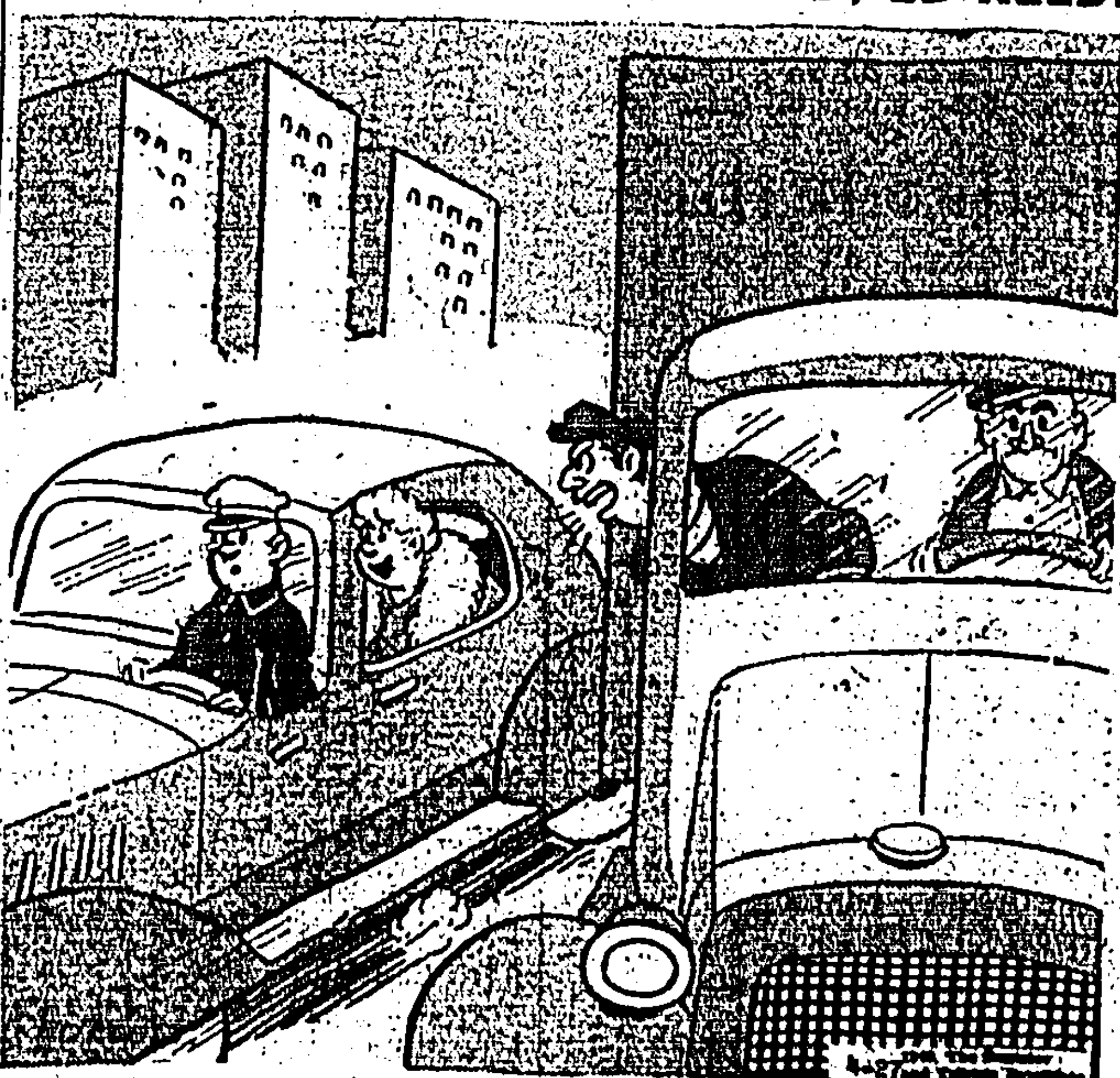
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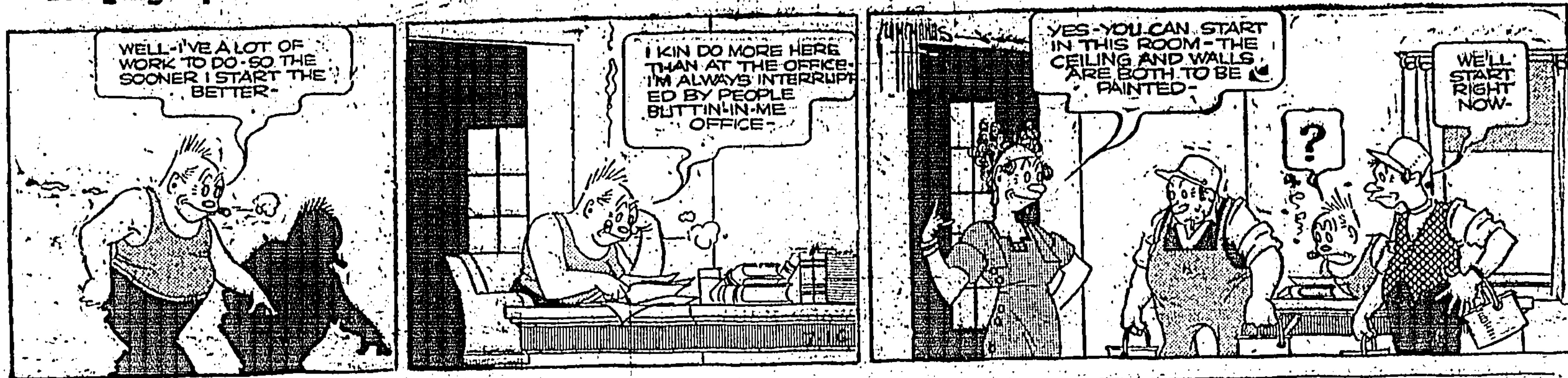
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Bringing Up Father

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A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Toe Tips From Tiptop Dancer

Mia Slavenska is on her feet nine hours a day — that is simply routine work for the premiere danseuse of the Ballet Russe. Rehearsals limbering routines, performances—all are taken "on her toes." So quite naturally she is more concerned about keeping her feet in the pink of condition than any other part of her body. But I must confess the petite darling looks meticulous and charming from head to toes!

Even on brief vacations there is no rest for her twinkling toes for muscles would soon stiffen and lose their flexibility if she did not go through limbering routines. "There is no excuse for let down feet," she bubbles, "the kind that give a droop to your carriage and whole personality. A few minutes each day devoted to the proper care — massage and exercising—counteracts muscle strain and develops flexibility!"

Foot Grooming

At the age of four Slavenska was preparing for her career. At five she learned routines to strengthen toes, arches and important muscles at the back of her leg and ankle. To-day at 23 she is slim, lithe, quick and definite of movement, and hopes nature will keep her young for she has little time for beauty beyond caring for her two precious feet!

She considers foot grooming an excellent "must" for all women for it focusses attention to feet and inspires one to keep them looking beautiful and being strong. Her carefully pedicured feet usually show a medium-deep shade which is a mantilla-pink.

Exercises

When your feet ache next time, try standing with toes apart and the weight of your body resting on the outside of the feet. This relieves the pressure that the ball of the foot usually bears. You may assume this position any time during the day.

For relieving strained muscles in the back of the leg, this talented young lady stands on the rung of a chair with the balls of the feet resting on the rung. She then springs up and down, without taking her feet off the rung and pressing her toes and heels downward at the same time. Difficult at first, but you will catch on to it!

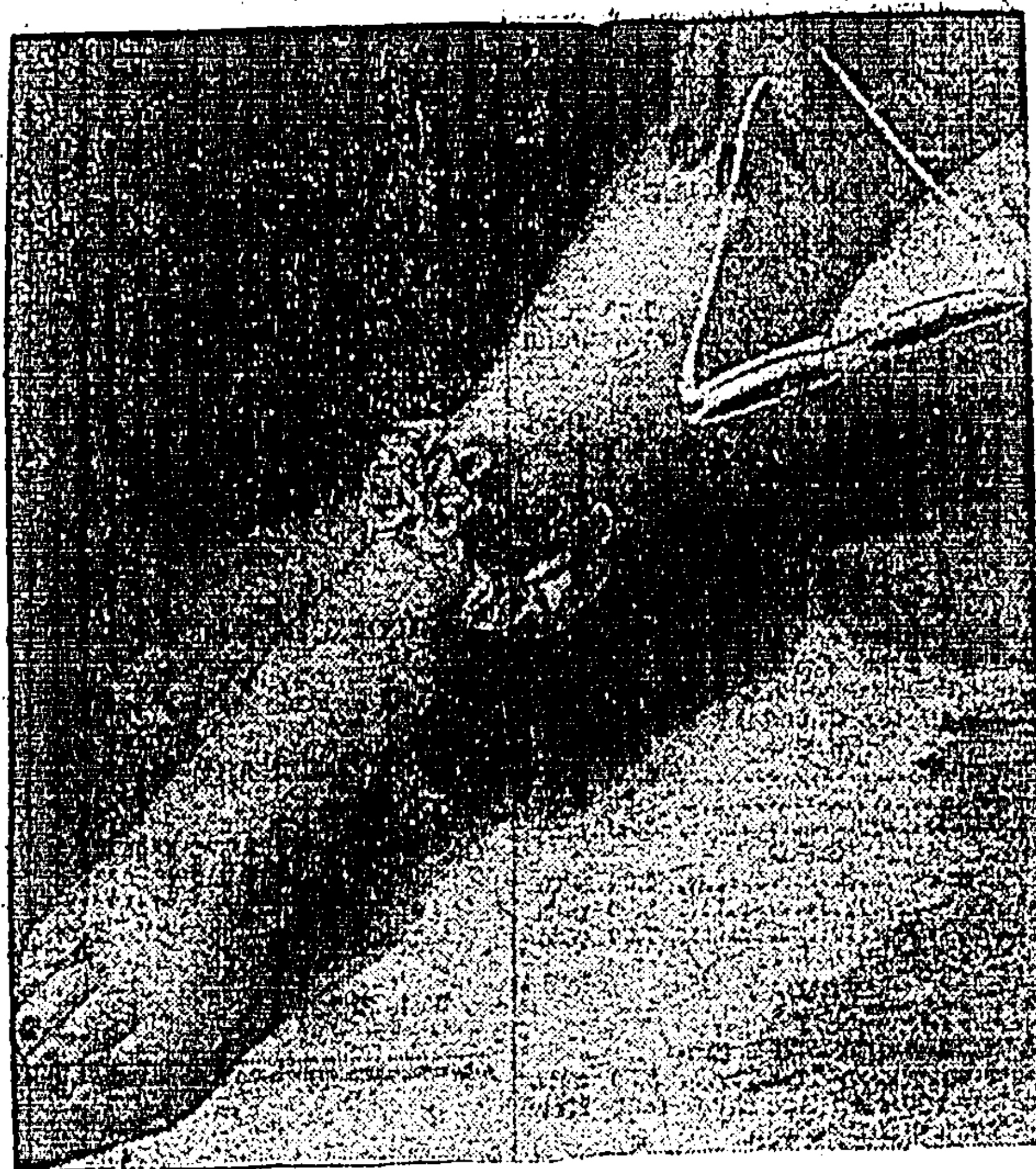
Another Relaxing Exercise

To increase flexibility of the foot and leg muscles (which slims the leg at the same time) do this: Stand with weight on left foot, point right toe on floor, heel high. Now bring right heel down to floor and rise on left toe. Do this seesaw fashion without taking either foot off floor.

Daily Massage

Slavenska massages her feet every single day with a rich hand cream after soaking them in a hot epsom salts foot bath. The foot is wiped after the massage with a cloth dampened with a refreshing cologne. In the morning they are brushed briskly with soap and water.

"Ballet routine is excellent for strengthening weakened arches," she says. "Old and young should do them at least once a week."



Your feet can be as pretty as you make them! A dancer's beauty schedule allots more time to keeping feet in fettle than to any other beauty routine. Result: feet that work well, look lovely. The final touch of frivolity is a flower anklet in mantilla pink to match toe tip colour.

"Still Stubborn, You Dog!"

No more moving book has come out of the incidence of war than that written by Irmgard Litten, "A Mother Fights Hitler" (Allen & Unwin, 7s. 6d.). It is a factual account of her struggle with the Gestapo to get her son, a lawyer and an Aryan, out of one concentration camp after another. The Archbishop of York, in a foreword, describes the book as "a moving human record." Lord Allen, and others in this country tried to have Hans Litten set free. It was unavailing. After a period of intense suffering he was reported to have hanged himself in the Dachau concentration camp.

The book contains accounts by reliable eye-witnesses of the hideous forms of punishment administered by the Nazis to the unhappy prisoners. Here is one:

A wooden stool and four sticks were brought and placed in the middle of the courtyard. The man tried to explain that he had already been punished. No one listened to him. Two SS men took up their stand one either side of the stool.

Commandant Schmidt gave the order: "Begin!" At first the men brandished their sticks a few times, so that one heard them whistling through the air. Then they raised them high above their heads. Each leaned back as far as he could, and swung his stick back in readiness, and only then came the first swishing blow, immediately followed by the second. The man did not utter a sound.

Again the two fellows swung back their sticks, and again two blows came swishing down on the victim. The tortured man clenched his teeth. The camp commandant roared: "The fellow isn't feeling anything!"

A third time the two blows fell on him. Still the prisoner was silent. The commandant began to rave. "Still stubborn, are you, you dog! Two others have a try!" The two "reserve strikers" came forward. Each whirled his stick through the air; then both struck the prisoner, swinging the stick far back before the blow.

Eight blows—ten—twelve. The prisoner bore his punishment like a hero. Not a sound escaped between his teeth. Now Camp-leader Feltke and Company-leader Braunig seized a stick apiece, and struck the last three blows. One of them struck one blow, the other two, but they were both crimson in the face from the effort. The prisoner bore everything to the last blow, without a sound. The commandant and the SS leaders were foaming with rage. They felt that they were scorned by the man, that their honour was insulted. But—alas!—the punishment had been awarded.

The victim was ordered to stand up. With difficulty he lifted himself to his feet. He looked like a dying man. Then he had to pick up the stool and the sticks, and the gaolers of the cellars took him away to serve his sixteen days solitary confinement.

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BROTHERS WED DAUGHTER OF A BARONET

Two factory workers, Frederick Tomkinson and his brother Stanley, saved the lives of their mother, father, four sisters and eleven-year-old brother, trapped in their blazing home at Waldron's Moor Manor, King's Heath, Birmingham.

All the family were sleeping when Frederick awoke to find smoke pouring into his bedroom.

"I awakened my brother Stanley," he said, "and we knotted four blankets together and lowered to the ground our eleven-year-old brother who sleeps in our room."

"By this time mother, father and our sisters were at the two other bedroom windows. We coiled the blanket rope and threw it into mother's room. Father fixed it and he and she got down. More blankets were knotted, and we rushed round to our sisters' room in the front of the house. They caught the blankets we threw up to them and all four made a safe descent."

REPLACEMENT OF NISHIHARA

It was officially announced in Tokyo yesterday that Major-General Sumita, director of the army heavy artillery school and formerly military attaché at Paris, has been appointed chairman of the Japanese "Inspectorate" in French Indo-China, replacing Major-General Nishihara.—Reuter.

A bluejacket has married the daughter of a baronet.

Mr. Michael Hicks-Beach, who is twenty-one, is a signalman of the Dover Patrol, and he was married at Dover Register Office in his bluejacket's uniform to Miss Katharine Hartwell, aged twenty-two, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Brodrick Hartwell, Bart., and Lady Hartwell, of Seymour Place, London, W.

Mr. Hicks-Beach was an undergraduate at Pembroke College, Cambridge, last October when he joined the Navy.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hicks-Beach, of Ellington House, Maidenhead, Berks. Commander C. Evan-Thomas, D.S.C., R.N., was best man.

MONTREAL INVITES OUR STUDENTS

British refugee students, especially women, will be able to go to McGill University, Montreal, under a scheme Dr. F. Cyril James, the principal, is negotiating with British university officials.

Dr. James said McGill University had offered London, Oxford and Manchester Universities to do all it could to provide facilities for students from Great Britain whose studies have been threatened by the war with curtailment.

Plans were still in a preliminary stage and details could not be made public, said Dr. James.

One of the problems is the raising of funds for the students' maintenance, because of restrictions against taking money out of Britain.—Associated Press.

BOSSSES AND MEN TOLD: SACRIFICE FOR VICTORY

This is a people's war. Sacrifice by both master and man are called for in two announcements.

First, is a regulation which bans the worker's right to strike—he must carry on with the job while the dispute is settled. Secondly, employers must continue to offer recognised wages and conditions, and in a letter from the Cabinet they were told—

"We can no longer think of personal profits or the future of a particular firm or industry. We must think of the nation's interest alone."

A National Arbitration Tribunal has been set up by the Minister of Labour to settle all trade disputes not settled in the ordinary way.

Strikes, and lockouts, can be made illegal by the Minister. A group of workers will no longer be able to stop work unofficially without reporting the dispute to the Minister.

Affects All Workers

Employers and men alike will be urged, when they want concessions, to seek them through the ordinary negotiating machinery. Failing that, they can take it to the tribunal.

But work must go on and the tribunal can back-date its award.

These regulations apply to all workers and employers.

The tribunal does not operate until the dispute is reported to the Minister. He can refer it to the normal negotiating machinery.

Failing reasonably quiet settlement there it goes to the tribunal, which must try to settle the dispute inside a fortnight.

After the war the tribunal will continue in being to settle any quibble over the full restoration of trade practices which are sacrificed.

Mr. Justice Simonds will be chairman of the Commission. There will be two other permanent members. The remaining two will be representatives of workers and employers.

Call To Employers

Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Minister without portfolio, in a broadcast revealed that the Cabinet was sending an appeal to all the 9,000 firms busy on war work.

They will call upon management to make the maximum use of skilled workers by reorganising where necessary to train and make room for more and more unskilled men and women.

"Instead of our having more workers than jobs, as was the case for so long, we have reached the point when in many types of skilled work we have more jobs than workers ready to fill them. So we must do three things," said Mr. Greenwood.

"First, great numbers of men and women must be trained for the skilled and semi-skilled operations they have to undertake."

Don't Waste Labour

"Secondly, we have to make sure that no worker who is skilled is allowed to waste his skill on work of a lower grade than the highest he can do."

"Third, we have to carry out the process called training up, that is, arranging for unskilled or semi-skilled workers to be moved up to more highly skilled work for which, with some effort and some help, they can quickly fit themselves."

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Four New Records Established In Swimming Championships Reflections On The Three-Day V.R.C. Festival

Ng Nin Over-Trained? Manila Interport Trials On Thursday

By "Natator"

BREAKING ALL attendance records, the three-day Annual Swimming Championships programme was carried to a successful conclusion on Saturday evening, every nook and corner of V.R.C. being jammed long before the commencement. The gates had to be closed early on the final night as even standing room was not available.

The Championships this year, which featured the lowering of four individual records, were marked by a much larger number of Chinese successes than in former years, being not confined only to one or two events, but to almost all the events.

This annual classic also settled once and for all the question of individual superiority among the Swimmers for the year and there is no doubt that Chan Chun-nam is the most outstanding swimmer this year over the longer distances, accounting for three titles, and breaking two records, while Ng Nin and David Hutchinson were both brilliant in the sprints, the former winning the 50 yards dash, in 24-4/5 secs, equalling the record, and the latter setting up a new mark for the 100 yards free-style by winning in 36-1/5 secs.

Hutchinson swam a really wonderful race to win the 100 yards, with a magnificent sprint in the last length to overtake Ng Nin, who had gained a considerable lead after the third turn.

Ng Nin's failure to return a better time than 58 secs is unaccountable, especially after his fine swim in the 50 yards, when he drew away in the last few yards to win. The night previous he was clocked at 62-3/5 secs for 100 metres at South China, which is easily under 56 secs when passing the 100 yard mark.

Over-Trained

His failure can only be attributed to an over-trained physical condition.

In the breast-stroke, Ng Nin proved conclusively that the "butterfly stroke," if developed to a sufficient degree, was definitely much faster than the orthodox breast-stroke.

Swimming 100 yards with his stroke, he was able to lower the existing record in 70 secs. flat.

The old record of 71-2/5 secs. was established by Enrique Chan last year with the older form and I feel sure that even if had he competed he would have been unable to defend his title successfully. Much surprise was caused by the inability of Fong Chung-U to be placed, and I have since learnt from his coach that he had been practicing the "butterfly stroke" for a fortnight before the Championships, and cramped his ordinary style. For three lengths he was able to keep pace with Ng's butterfly, but this was too much for him. Ho Pun-kun, on the other hand, showed better judgment, and swam his own race, and was placed third, 1/5 secs. after Luigi Remedios, another butterfly stroke exponent.

In spite of the fact that 70 seconds was Rumjahn's time for the 100 yards back-stroke, I am firmly convinced that he could have come much nearer to the record of 68-4/5 secs. had he gone all out from the beginning.

Criticising his attempt to swim under 71 secs., about a month ago, I pointed out that his first length was swam too easily, and that an improvement in that length would give him a better result. His time, then, for the first length, was 34 secs.

At the Championships he covered the first length in just about 33 secs. with the consequent improvement of over a second in final time.

With his amazing stamina I have often wondered why he

does not swim all out from the start.

The day that Rumjahn can do 32 for the first length will see him lower the mark.

Interport Trials On Thursday

As announced earlier, the selection of representatives for the P. I. Interport will be probably made from the results of the Championships, whilst for the men's 220 yards back-stroke and 220 yards breast-stroke, and the ladies' 50 yards back-stroke and 50 yards breast-stroke, trials will be held at the V.R.C. on Thursday.

In this connection, those interested are reminded that entries will close to-day at 5.30 p.m.

Club secretaries are also advised that a meeting will be held at the V.R.C. to-day at 5.30, when preparations for the coming Interport will be discussed. Clubs interested are requested to send representatives to this meeting.

South China A.A. Championships

South China's 15th Annual Championships was featured by the lowering of one club record in the ladies' events, which were all closely contested. The events for men were rather dull affairs, and with the possible exception of Ho Pun-kun's times of 1 min. 25-3/5 secs. and 3 mins. 10-2/5 secs. for the 100 and 200 metres breast-stroke, times returned by the other competitors were rather poor. Visitors found time spent, worth while, however, as the open relay races provided the excitement for the evening.

The 400 metres free-style relay open to Chinese teams in the Colony, was narrowly won by the Eastern team over the Chung Shing.

Kew (Eastern), Chung Shui-che (Chung Shing), Tsang Choung-ming (Lai Tsun), Kwok Chan-hang (Eastern "B") and Leung Pul-chuen (South China) started together on their 100 metres lap, but after three-quarters of the distance, Kew broke away from the field to give Eastern the lead, which was maintained by Chu Fui-lam swimming against Fung Kwai-sang (Chung Shing).

Starting with a fifteen metres handicap, Ng Tsun-man, of Chung Shing, went in third, and managed to cut down the lead from Lee Fook-ke, but 10 metres still separated them when Lee finished. The versatile Ng Nin, made a most amazing effort to pick up, on Shik Kam-pul, swimming last, and covered the distance in 62-3/5 secs., cutting down the margin of defeat to only one metre.

Shik Kam-pul, nearly lost the race for Eastern as he was obviously panicky after the turn when he saw that Ng was gradually creeping up on him, and continually fouled the lanes.

The Ladies' 400-metres free-style relay, was also interesting, in that South China fielded three breast-stroke swimmers, who proved that, for a longer distance they were not very much handicapped in not being able to swim with a crawl stroke. Lai Tsun was the only other team to enter.

Miss Tsang Fung-kwan, started for Lai Tsun, and obtained a lead of almost 15 metres over Miss Ho Wai-man. Swimming with smooth even strokes, Miss Au Mel-chuen cut down the lead metre by metre, and actually overtook Miss Cheng Oit-lin, of Lai Tsun, who was completely exhausted towards the end of her lap. From then on, the race was definitely South China's, and in spite of Miss Ko Mu-lin's brilliant effort, in the end, Miss Lee Po-luen

coasted in to victory for the team. It is a long time since South China has won a ladies' relay.

Miss Lee Po-luen Batters Her Own Record

In view of the lack of opposition in the ladies' sprint events, Miss Lee Cheuk-wa accounted for both the 50 metres free-style and the 100 metres back-stroke, whilst the South China trio of breast-stroke swimmers, namely the Misses Lee Po-luen, Ho Wai-man and Au Mel-chuen dominated the breast-stroke events, with Miss Lee Po-luen winning all of them.

All of these three swimmers were finalists in the recent Colony Championships.

Still fresh from her success at the Championships, Miss Lee Po-luen swam the 100 metres breast-stroke the same evening and shattered the existing club record established by her last year, by lowering it from 1 min. 41-2/5 secs. to 1 min. 37-2/5 secs.

Macao Win Water-Polo

In a fitting conclusion to Championships, Macao Chinese Water-Polo Club defeated South China, by the odd goal in five before a packed gallery.

Playing the first of their five-game schedule with the local Chinese clubs, the visiting team showed plenty of sparkle in their play, and it was mainly through determination that they obtained their victory in the last minute of play.

Included in their line-up are Choy Chak-lau and Ng Kai-hung, well-known in Chinese water-polo circles, and between them they have coached the team to its present standard of high efficiency.

It must be borne in mind that they are severely handicapped in their training, as they are the only water-polo team in Macao, and their work is really an achievement.

Breaking away from Chan Yung-kong on a goal throw, Harold Wingles scored with a long shot, to open the score in favour of the home team, but their advantage was soon lost when Choy Chak-lau equalised with a strong forehand shot. Soon before the closing of the first half Lionel Lowe put one past the goal to give South China the lead again. In the second half, in a mix-up in front of South China goal, Choy scored the equaliser for Macao. From then onwards both teams were fighting desperately to break the tie, and only in the last minute of play Tong scored with a magnificent backhand, which brought the cheering spectators to their feet.

MACAO—Au Yeung-keung, Poon Wai-fun, Leung Wing-kwan, Ng Kai-hung, Chan Yung-kong, Choy Chak-lau (2), Kwan Kin-fai, 1st half, Tong Po-man, 2nd half (1).

SOUTH CHINA—Kwok Kai-chiu, Lee Ke-yung, H. Wingles (1), Ho Yuk-kwan, Lionel Lowe (1), Henry Sa, Lu King-chuen.

GREAT TENNIS RECORD OF THE SAPPERS

By "Adrem"

ROYAL ENGINEERS had a remarkably successful season in the Army Tennis League, going through both divisions without the loss of a single match.

In "A" Division they played 11 matches, won 65 sets and dropped only 16. They were represented by only four pairs, most successful being Major Grose and Capt. Wilkinson, who won 24 and lost only three sets. Other pairs were S/Sgt. Megson and S/Sgt. Denyer (won 20 and lost 4); S/Sgt. Mitchell and Spr. Elsley (won 19, lost 8) and S/Sgt. Megson and S/Sgt. Quinnell (won 2, lost 1).

In "B" Division, Sappers fared even better and won no fewer than five of their nine matches by maximum margins. Mainstay of the side were Q.M.S. Rivett and S/Sgt. Quinnell, who had a hundred per cent record in 27 sets, while Capt. Freeman and Capt. Bird won 16 out of 19 sets and S/Sgt. Spencer and L/Cpl. Shaw 23 out of 27.

Following are the final League tables:

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Royal Scots	11	7	4	44 40 14
R.A.P.C.	11	5	6	40 47 10
8th Hvy. Regt. R.A.	11	4	7	44 55 8
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R.A.S.C.	11	3	8	28 62 0
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BASEBALL BY EAR; AMAZING INVENTION BY AN AMERICAN

A MODIFIED FORM of blind baseball, invented by a St. Paul man, may be introduced to blind organisations throughout the United States.

In the game's first test the St. Paul United Blind Workers team drubbed United Blind Workers of Minneapolis, 7 to 0, in a tightly-fielded contest.

Chris Blankenburg, St. Paul hurler, allowed only seven scattered hits.

Both teams played errorless ball. All players were blind. The umpires, as though proving a rule, were not.

Blind pitchers actually pitch; blind batters swing regulation bats and run bases; fielders wear gloves and make actual stops.

Played By Ear

Secret of the game is this: It is played by ear.

In blind man's baseball, the "ball" is a steel ring, four inches in diameter, strung on a cable 100 feet long.

In the pitcher's box, 35 feet from the plate, the hurler "pitches" the ring, sending it shooting down the cable toward the batter. Noise of the ring on the cable times the batter's swing. When the swing is properly timed, the bat connects and the ring whizzes back down the cable.

The batter grabs a leather strap strung on another cable, which guides him around the bases, and attempts to beat out the throw.

Catches By Sounds

In the field, basemen must listen for the ping of the ring as it goes by them and make their catches accordingly. Then comes the throw-in. If the ring is returned to the catcher before the runner reaches his base, he is out.

When a batter whacks the ring the length of the cable, it is a home run. If he fails to hit it as far as the pitcher, it is counted a foul.

No fielder may "block" the cable but must make his stab for the ring as it passes. In view of this, fielding was remarkable.



K.I.T.C. TENNIS RESULTS

The tennis competitions of the Kowloon Indian Tennis Club ended yesterday, and the following were the results:

SINGLES (FINAL)

S. A. Hussain beat G. Singh, 6-1, 6-0, 7-5.

DOUBLES (FINAL)

M. O. Hoogen and M. Rainzan beat S. S. Hussain and S. R. Saller, 6-2, 7-5, 4-0, 6-1.

SINGLES HANDICAP (FINAL)

M. Rainzan (-15) beat S. R. Saller (-15), 6-4, 6-2.

DOUBLES HANDICAP (FINAL)

S. A. Hussain and G. M. Khan (-40) beat A. Rahimin and A. R. Azan (-15), 7-5, 6-6, 6-0.

ARMY TENNIS

Following were the results of Fourth Round matches in the Army Tennis Open Singles tournament played at Sookunpoo yesterday.

S/Sgt. Adlam (R.A.P.C.) beat S/Sgt. Mitchell (R.E.) 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

S/Sgt. Duffield (R.A.O.C.) beat Sgt. Webb (R.A.M.C.) 6-1, 6-4.

"B" DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	Sets
Royal Engineers	9	9	0	74 7 12
R.A.O.C.	9	6	3	47 34 12
8th R.A.	9	6	3	45 30 12
5th R.A.	9	5	4	47 34 10
24th R.A.	9	5	4	37 44 10
Royal Scots	9	4	5	37 44 8
30th R.A.	9	3	6	31 41 6
Signals	9	3	6	23 47 0
R.A.S.C.	9	2	7	38 43 4
R.A.P.C.	9	2	7	10 65 4

Sappers' Results

Following are Engineers' records in the two divisions:

"A" DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	Sets
Royal Engineers	9	9	0	74 7 12
beat Royal Scots	9	0	0	47 34 12
beat R.A.M.C.	9	0	0	45 30 12
beat 5th R.A.	9	0	0	47 34 10
beat Signals	9	0	0	37 44 10
beat R.A.S.C.	9	0	0	37 44 8
beat R.A.P.C.	9	0	0	31 41 6
beat 8th R.A.	9	0	0	23 47 0
beat 12th R.A.	9	0	0	38 43 4
beat R.A.O.C.	9	0	0	10 65 4

"B" DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	Sets
Royal Engineers	9	9	0	74 7 12
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beat Royal Scots	9	0	0	45 30 12
beat 5th A.A. Regt.	9	0	0	47 34 10
beat 24th R.A.	9	0	0	37 44 10
beat Signals	9	0	0	37 44 8
beat 30th R.A.	9	0	0	31 41 6
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A POSITION OF
POWER

BY BEST BALL

Grasping the shaft of the club with the left hand palm down, places this member in the best possible position for both mobility and usefulness in the stroke. There is more power in such a grip than one placed too far under the shaft and also more dependability. Let the golfer try swinging and pushing back with his hand in the palm down position and he will soon realise that it not only offers more control but that its natural arc follows the rotating movement of the body. Furthermore the path of this hand is nearer the body than is the case where the back of the hand is largely on the side of the shaft not over.

Two or more knuckles of the left hand should be visible to the player as he looks down upon the grip. Placed in this fashion it can guide the club-head in the best possible manner and follow through straight along the intended line of flight. The heel of the right hand should fit snugly against the thumb of the left hand.

Next Article:—A Firm Left Side.

M. N. Rakusen beat J. S. Landolt 22-19.

GRAPHIC GOLF

LEFT HAND GRIP
INCORRECT—HAND TOO FAR
UNDER SHAFT

CORRECT

GRASP CLUB
WITH PALM
FACING TURFCOMPLETED GRIP
SHOWS TWO OR
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OF LEFT HAND
VISIBLE LOOKING DOWN

9-3

OPEN SINGLES
RESULTS

Following were the results of third round games in the Open Singles Bowls championship played yesterday:

At Craigengower
M. R. Abbas beat A. Morton 21-3
on the 12th head.

At K.F.C.
J. McCutcheon beat A. M. Omar
21-19.

C. G. Silva beat W. L. Walker 21-14.

Golf ABC To Help
The Average Player

AAA.—ADDRESS THE ball with your weight equally divided on both feet, and your balance back toward the heels. It is wise to try to stand as comfortably and naturally as possible so that your mind will not be uneasy as you start your backswing. If you are uncomfortable in the address position, you will find it difficult to concentrate upon the actual making of the stroke.

BBB.—Begin your back swing slowly and smoothly. A hurried start away from the ball nearly always causes a short, jerky swing, that lacks both power and control.

CCC.—Control the club with the left hand and arm—they are the masters and guides of the club. In order to ensure control of the club, make certain that the grip with the left hand remains firm throughout the backward and forward swing.

DDD.—Don't take your divots before the clubhead contacts the ball. In laying the iron shots remember that the club must contact the ball first, then the ground—thus taking the divot after the ball has been struck. The ball must be hit on the downswing.

EEE.—Explosion shots from sand traps can save many strokes if the player follows several sim-

ple rules. The feet should be fixed firmly in the sand. The ball should be played well forward off the left foot and the stance slightly opened. Usually the face of the club is layed open. The swing is fairly upright and should come down across the ball from the outside in. It is fatal to loosen your grip with the left hand, or fail to follow-through. Contact the sand several inches behind the ball.

FFF.—Freedom of wrist action depends upon your using the proper grip.

GGG.—Gripping the club correctly is called opening the door to a good golf swing. I cannot over-emphasise the importance of a good grip, so consult your local professional for a check-up.

HHH.—Hit the ball with your hands, particularly the right

hand, but reserve the hit with the hands until you are in the hitting position near the ball. Remember that the wrists complete the backswing by cocking, and they complete the downswing (before the ball is hit) by uncocking just before contact with the ball. Do not start the club down by uncocking the wrists at the top of the backswing.

III.—Initiate the swing in the centre of the body; the hips to the right, and let the shoulders, arms, hands, and club move to the right, as a result of the turning of the body.

JJJ.—Jerky shots are usually caused by starting the backswing too quickly. Start the club back as in "I". This makes for the harmonious movement of all parts of the body.

KKK.—"Like as we lie" is a golfing term meaning that all players have played the same number of strokes.



VOLUNTEER CRICKET

NO LEAGUE
JUST YET

In the absence of Lt.-Col. E. J. R. Mitchell, who is ill, Major H. Owen Hughes presided at the Volunteer Cricket meeting at Headquarters yesterday evening.

Major Owen Hughes said that the purpose of the meeting was to see what form Volunteer cricket should take this year.

It was suggested that Volunteer Cricket be run as last year with friendly games on Sundays, preferably between Units of the Corps. There were six units which had more or less agreed to field teams and the question of grounds for a competition was discussed.

Pending enquiries being made as to the possibility of grounds being secured, the meeting was adjourned, it being decided that in no case would any competition be formed until the end of the year.

The Inter-Unit teams so far are 3rd M.G. Coy., 3rd Battery, Field Ambulance, 5th and 6th (Portuguese) Coys., No. 1 Coy. and 1st Battery.

TO-DAY'S
BOWLS

Following is the programme for to-day's Third Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Singles Championship.

At Kowloon F.C.
F. X. M. Silva v H. White

R. Morrison or
A. E. Carey v A. M. Holland

At Craigengower
H. E. Strange v P. J. Jones

L. J. Silva or
A. L. Eastman v H. A. Alves

At Police F.C.
W. R. Hillyer v W. J. Howard

At Kowloon B.C.C.
R. Bass v S. Eccleshall or
E. C. Finoller

M. A. Alarcon v T. A. Madar



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Grave Blow To The Luftwaffe

Nazi Plan To Invade Britain Miscarries Badly

5,000 Men Lost In Two Months

GERMANY'S LOSS of over 2,000 'planes and 5,000 men in August and September is a very grave blow to her first-line air strength, says Reuter's air correspondent; this belief was expressed in London yesterday by a high R.A.F. officer.

It is too early yet to gauge the full effect of the first major rebuff the luftwaffe has suffered since it crushed Poland. On the other hand that rebuff serves to show clearly that the Nazi plan to invade Britain has miscarried badly up to the moment.

The R.A.F. does not doubt that invasion is behind the plan of campaign of the German High Command on both sides of the Channel.

Over Britain, the luftwaffe was first used to smash R.A.F. fighter opposition by attacks chiefly on aerodromes.

This accomplished, as the German High Command evidently thought, the attack on London began on September 7.

Possibly the Nazi leaders thought sufficient disorganisation had been caused by last Friday to permit the next of their pre-invasion campaign to be attempted.

Major Defeat

They tested it with another mass daylight attack and for the third time in two months their large formations suffered a major defeat.

The German High Command must now be faced with a problem which has become serious as the months pass, namely how is air superiority not only in numbers but ability to be achieved?

Unless Germany can find an answer, in the R.A.F. view, she cannot successfully invade Britain, nor can she do any real lasting damage to the country's war potential areas most of which our fighters, guns and balloons are so successfully protecting.

A Week's Figures

Meanwhile it was stated in London yesterday that during the week ended midnight on Septem-

ber 29 German aircraft losses were 222 machines in battles over Britain, apart from machines damaged and believed destroyed, whose loss could not be definitely confirmed by the careful check-up employed by the Air Ministry.

The R.A.F. lost 69 'planes during the same period but 37 pilots were saved.

It is estimated that German pilot losses from aircraft whose loss is confirmed alone are, on the basis of the above figures, approximately 555. — Reuter.

GERMAN WRECK FOR EXHIBIT

A GERMAN 'PLANE IS NOW ON ITS WAY TO INDIA FOR EXHIBITION.

It has been bought by the organisers of a War Planes Fund, who paid £1,000 for the 'plane and will also pay freight charges.

They have promised to send all proceeds from the exhibition of the 'plane to buy more aircraft for the R.A.F.

The sum of £5,000 has been received from the Mysore War Relief Fund for the purchase of 'planes and a further £1,000 for the relief of air raid victims in London.

The United Provinces war fund has sent nearly £150,000 to provide two squadrons of Spitfires. — Reuter.

SIR SHENTON THOMAS'S TERM EXTENDED

Sir Shenton Thomas's term of office as Governor of the Straits Settlements has been extended, stated a Colonial Office announcement in London yesterday.

Sir Shenton will resume residence in Singapore towards the end of the year. — Reuter.

BIG NAZI OIL PLANT DEVASTATED

(Continued from Page 1)

docks at Flushing in the early hours of yesterday morning.

In an attack on long-range gun positions at Cap Gris Nez salvoes of high explosive bombs were seen to explode close to the gun emplacements. — Reuter.

Wide Area

Sunday night's attacks on rail communication centres in Germany were spread over a wide area. Railways at Ehrang, Mannheim, Soest and Coblenz were bombed and fires were started in goods junctions in Cologne, Osnabruck and Hamm where sticks of heavy calibre bombs fell along one side of the goods yard causing two separate fires.

An oil plant at Hanover was attacked shortly before 11 p.m. A large fire in the target area was still burning 20 minutes after the last aircraft had left the outskirts of the city.

Explosions which continued for some time marked the attack on a factory near Hanover.

At Kamen, near Dortmund, another factory was set on fire.

Fokker Factory

Raiders operating over Holland attacked the great Fokker aircraft factory near Amsterdam. The factory, which is now commandeered by the German invaders, is situated in the dock area.

It was heavily bombed and fires and explosions were seen to break out among factory build-

COLOSSAL WAR COST FIGURES

In the first six months of the current financial year Britain's total ordinary expenditure reached the colossal figure of £1,610,135,000, compared with only £562,000,000 in the same period last year.

Ordinary revenue in the past six months is £452,000,000, states the Treasury return for the first half of the year.

Estimated total ordinary expenditure for the full financial year which ends on March 31 next is £3,466,790,000 and estimated total ordinary revenue £1,380,000,000.

Figures now issued show that revenue coming into the Exchequer is remarkably satisfactory. — Reuter.

MADRID ATTACK ON U.S.A.

The Madrid paper "Hoja Oficial del Lunes" in an editorial yesterday attacked United States influence in South America whither it thinks American efforts will be directed now the U.S. has been "defeated in the European and Asiatic front."

The Spanish press is always suspicious of any signs of collaboration between North and South America, Spain regarding itself as the rightful spiritual leader of that continent. — Reuter.

NEW SPANISH LINER

The newly-acquired Spanish liner Cabode Hornos was blessed at Bilbao yesterday in the presence of representatives of the Minister of Marine and the consuls of the Argentine, Brazil, Uruguay and Portugal.

The liner, which is owned by the Ibarra Company, will run to South America. — Reuter.

ings and in docks lying to the south. — Reuter.

Amsterdam Havoc

Particularly heavy damage was done in the harbour area of Amsterdam during an R.A.F. raid early yesterday, says an Amsterdam despatch to the official German news agency. — Reuter.

STOP PRESS

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Relentless Attacks By R.A.F. Bombers

Raiders Cover Wide Area of Reich

FIRES, FOLLOWED BY EXPLOSIONS VISIBLE FROM AIRCRAFT 60 MILES AWAY, MARKED A HEAVY ATTACK ON AN OIL REFINERY AND STORAGE PLANT AT MAGDEBURG CARRIED OUT ON SUNDAY NIGHT BY BRITISH BOMBERS, SAYS THE AIR MINISTRY NEWS SERVICE.

The plant, known as the Braunkohlen Nezin Company, is situated 200 miles inland from Germany's western frontier, and was subjected to a series of raids which began shortly after 10 p.m. and continued for nearly three hours.

Many fires started by incendiary bombs illuminated the target and guided following aircraft directly to the objective.

Attacking in shallow dives and often from low level, the raiders straddled the oil plant with high explosive bombs leaving a trail of multi-coloured fires and spasmodic explosions.

Later arrivals, adding their quota of bombs to fires already raging, saw them blaze up still more fiercely and spread rapidly across the target area.

Raiders participating in this attack also bombed the railway at the southern exit of the city and started fires close to the main line junction.

Gasworks Hit

Other forces of heavy bombers attacked a large coal gas plant at Stuttgart and the Bosch factory which produces electrical equipment for the German Services.

A stick of heavy calibre bombs fell across a gas works causing ten separate explosions.

The Bosch works were bombarded for 15 minutes and are believed to have been heavily hit, as a large fire was seen blazing in the area as bombing ceased.

An aluminium factory at Bitterfeld and rail communication centres in Germany were also successfully attacked during the night.

Great Fire

A power station near Antwerp was bombed while other night raiders maintained their pressure on possible invasion bases and attacked shipping concentrations and harbour works at Ostend, Flushing and Calais.

Aerodromes at Giffhorn, Dessau, Evora, Aschersleben and Schipol were also subjected to night attacks by heavy bombers.

At Schipol, main airport of Amsterdam, sticks of bombs burst across the illuminated flare patch and at Aschersleben low-lying clouds were lit up by the glow of a great fire started on the aerodrome.

Coastal Inferno

The bombardment of potential invasion bases on the Belgian, Dutch and French coasts included a third attack on the naval

U.S. NAVAL RUMOURS

ASKED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY ABOUT REPORTS THAT THE UNITED STATES CONTEMPLATES SENDING WARSHIPS ON A "GOODWILL" VISIT TO AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND, SECRETARY OF STATE CORDELL HULL REPLIED THAT NO DEFINITE PROPOSALS HAD YET BEEN MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THE GENERAL DISCUSSIONS AND EXCHANGE OF VIEWS NOW IN PROGRESS WITH BRITAIN ON THE FAR EASTERN SITUATION.—REUTER.

CORRESPONDENT ASKED TO LEAVE

Claire Hollingsworth, correspondent in Bucharest for the London "Daily Express" was visited by Rumanian police yesterday and asked to leave the country. The British Legation has lodged a protest.—REUTER.

SPAIN'S ROLE TO BE DISCUSSED

Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, will be host at lunch to-day in honour of Senor Serrano Suner, Spanish Minister of Interior, who is due to arrive in Rome at 10 o'clock this morning from Germany.

The conversations will begin to-day, says the Italian news agency, which adds well-informed circles in Rome state the talks between the Spanish Minister and members of the Italian Government will be of the greatest importance.

Senor Suner will stay in Rome for two or three days.—REUTER. It seems likely that Senor Suner's visit to Rome is mostly for reasons of courtesy as the serious talking must already have been concluded in Berlin.

Senor Suner popularly is supposed to be very friendly towards the Rome end of the axis.—REUTER.

GRIS NEZ DRENCHED IN FLAMES

Houses on the Kent coast were shaken by heavy explosions last night when the R.A.F. delivered another big attack on the German invasion bases.

Brilliant flashes from bursting bombs reddened the starlit sky and the reflection they cast upon the water reached the British side of the Straits of Dover.

Calais harbour and long-range gun emplacements near Cap Gris Nez appeared to be the main targets. At times, this part of the French coast seemed to be drenched in flames.

Vigorous resistance was given by German ground defences.—REUTER.

SUBMARINE CREW SAFE

CONFIRMATION OF THE BELIEF THAT OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE SUBMARINE SHARK ARE PRISONERS OF WAR IS PROVIDED BY TWO LETTERS FROM THE COMMANDER, LT-COMM P. N. E. BUCKLEY, RECEIVED AT HIS HOME AT HOOTON, CHESHIRE, YESTERDAY.

All the officers and some of the ratings are believed to be safe. Buckley was wounded but he says he is quite all right now and is very well looked after.—REUTER.

ITALY TO CLAIM THE PRICE

The Berlin correspondent of the Basle newspaper, "National Zeitung" states that "an important diplomatic event" is expected to take place shortly in Rome.

He adds that it will primarily concern Italy and Spain.—REUTER.

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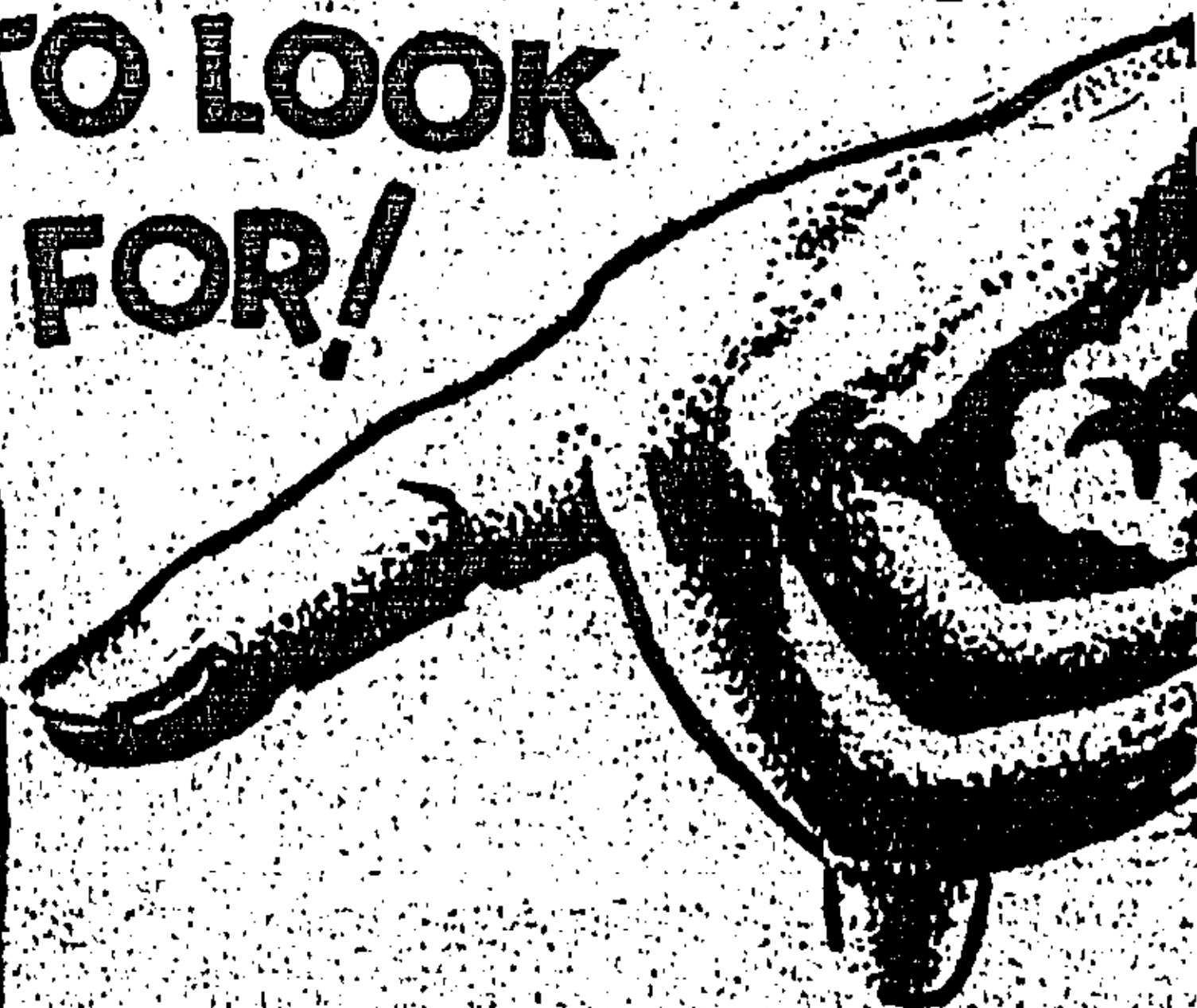
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MR. CHURCHILL'S 'MUNICH' MESSAGE TO CZECHS

"THE SOUL of freedom is deathless; it cannot and will not perish," said Mr. Winston Churchill in a special message which was read in a broadcast last night to the Czechoslovakian people.

The message recalled that the day was the second anniversary of the Munich Agreement, "a date which the world will always remember for the tragic sacrifice made by the Czechoslovak people in the interest of European peace."

PILOT'S UNIQUE FEAT

An amazing accident, unique in the annals of air history, occurred on Sunday in Australia over one of the air training fields.

Two training machines became interlocked one above the other at a height of 1,000 feet.

The pilot and observer in the lower plane and the observer of the other machine baled out and landed safely by parachute.

The pilot in the upper machine, however, elected to remain in his plane and in some miraculous fashion managed to land both planes, still interlocked, safely on the flying field.

The machines were only slightly damaged and both will be in the air again in a day or two! —Reuter.

N.E.I. AND JAPAN'S LEBENSRAUM

The Netherlands East Indies is intensely interested in the Axis/Japan pact, particularly in what sphere the Axis and Japan regard as their "lebensraum."

Does this include Indo-China, China, Thailand, Malaya, the Philippines and the Netherlands East Indies?

Reports from Batavia say some Japanese have rather wide conceptions of "living space" and the leading N.E.I. newspapers say in effect that the N.E.I. will not tolerate control by any foreign power of their territory or interests.

"We have no doubt that the Netherlands will ultimately free itself from German domination," these papers say, "and the Netherlands East Indies will remain faithful to the policy of the status quo."

The N.E.I. do not consider themselves involved in the Berlin/Rome/Tokyo agreement and will resist any infringement on their right to independent and free existence with all the means in their power, the papers conclude. —Reuter.

BRITISH PILOT INTERRED IN EIRE

The Eire Department of Defence announces that a British plane made a forced landing near Enniscorthy, on Sunday. The pilot, who was uninjured, was interned. —Reuter.

COTTON TO REPLACE POSTERS

Familiar posters printed on cotton instead of paper may soon be giving peace-time brightness to British streets.

"Although it is not new, the process has come to the forefront since the paper shortage became acute," a reporter was told by Mr. Ernest Marks, head of a Manchester firm which is sponsoring the scheme.

"The cloth—made in Lancashire—has a special gloss surface, which takes printing just as well as paper. We have already had inquiries from several national advertisers, and we feel sure we can soon fill some of those empty hoardings."

The fabric is only slightly dearer than paper, and considerably more durable. It can be used to replace paper for other uses. Liverpool Cotton Corporation, for instance, have adopted it as note-paper.

"The hopes which this agreement stirred in the heart of civilised mankind has been frustrated."

Within six months the solemn pledges given by the unscrupulous men who control the destiny of Germany were broken and the agreement destroyed with a ruthlessness which unmasked the true nature of their reckless ambitions to the whole world.

"The protection which Hitler forced upon you has been a sham and a cloak for the incorporation of your once flourishing country in the so-called Greater Reich."

"Instead of protection he has brought you nothing but moral and material devastation and today the followers of the great tolerant and humanitarian President Masaryk are being persecuted with a deliberate cruelty which has few parallels in modern history."

Instinctive Defiance

"In this hour of your martyrdom I send you this message. The battle which we in Britain are fighting to-day is not only our battle, it is also your battle and indeed the battle of all nations who prefer liberty to soulless serfdom."

"It is the struggle of civilised nations for the right to live their own life in the manner of their own choosing. It represents man's instinctive defiance of tyranny and an impersonal universe."

"Throughout history no European nation has shown a greater will to survive than yours and to-day again your people have given countless proofs of their courage in adversity."

Pride And Gratitude

"Here in Britain we have welcomed with pride and gratitude your soldiers and airmen who have come by daring escapes to take part with ever-increasing success in that battle for Britain which is also the battle for Czechoslovakia and no less sincere is our admiration for those Czechs and Slovaks who on the home front are risking death or worse than death to foster resistance against a cruel and heartless oppressor."

"It is because we both are fighting for the fundamental decency of human life that we are determined that neither our struggle nor your struggle shall be in vain."

"It is for this reason that we have refused to recognise any of the brutal conquests of Germany in Central Europe or elsewhere: that we have welcomed a Czechoslovak Provisional Government in this country; and that we have made the restoration of Czechoslovak liberties one of our principal war aims."

Be Of Good Cheer

With firmness and resolution, two qualities which our nations share in equal measure, these aims will be achieved.

"Be of good cheer. The hour of your deliverance will come. The soul of freedom is deathless; it cannot and will not perish." —Reuter.

DEPARTURE OF LONDON JAPANESE: THE EXPLANATION

CONTRADICTORY REPORTS were current yesterday about the departure of Japanese residents from Great Britain.

The Japan radio yesterday morning announced that 750 Japanese had been ordered to leave by the Japanese Embassy in London.

SPANISH VIEW OF AXIS PACT

Editorial comment in the Lisbon Government organ "Diario de Manhã" yesterday interprets the Axis-Japan pact as directed primarily against the United States and secondly against Russia in spite of the clause expressly stating the contrary.

The despatch of German troops to Finland is interpreted as a menace to the Soviet.

"With the collaboration of Japan secured, Germany prepares to face the problem of the Baltic."

"Stalin will observe that the Soviet advance westward must come to an end."

The Arabic press yesterday tended to regard the new pact as proof of Hitler's frantic search for new allies.

Realising the failure of his attack on Britain he is striving to redress the balance through this effort to tie America's hands in Europe through a major preoccupation in the Pacific.

The Arabic papers ask how can Hitler and Mussolini help Japan, and some regard the pact as principally designed to bolster up German and Italian propaganda. —Reuter.

ITALIAN RATIONING

The Italian Ministry of Corporations yesterday decreed that olive oil, butter, bacon and lard will be rationed in Italy from October 1, says a Rome despatch to the official German news agency.—Reuter.

CONGO'S ON THE AIR

THE BELGIAN CONGO GOES ON THE AIR TO-DAY WITH A NEW SHORT-WAVE RADIO STATION OPERATING FROM LEOPOLDVILLE.

Programmes will be broadcast from 10.55 a.m. to noon G.M.T. (8.55 p.m. to 8 p.m. Hong Kong Time) and from 6.55 p.m. to 7.45 p.m. G.M.T. (02.55 a.m. to 03.45 a.m. H.K.T.). The first transmission will be on 14.97 metres, the second on 29.04 metres.

The opening programme will be at 6.55 p.m., when the Governor-General of the Belgian Congo will inaugurate the service. —Reuter.

GANDHI LEAVING WITHOUT AGREEMENT

Mr. Gandhi's second interview with the Viceroy in Simla yesterday lasted two and three quarter hours, after which the Mahatma decided to leave in the evening for Wardha.

The Viceroy has written to Mr. Gandhi stating it is impossible, in the interests of India, to acquiesce in the interference with war efforts which would result from the freedom of speech asked for by Congress.

Mr. Gandhi has replied that while Congress is anxious to refrain from embarrassing the British Government in their war efforts, it cannot "deny its creed at the present critical juncture of mankind's destiny."

Mr. Gandhi's Reply

In the course of his reply to the Viceroy, Mr. Gandhi stated that:

"If Congress has to die, it should do so in the act of proclaiming its faith."

"It is unfortunate that we have been unable to arrive at an agreement on the single issue of freedom of speech. But I shall hug the hope that it will be possible for the Government to work out their policy in the spirit of the position of Congress."

Gandhi's Argument

Full text of the correspondence shows that the Viceroy, writing to Mr. Gandhi, says: "It has emerged from our conversation that while you would not yourself preach to workers engaged in war work at actual works, in an endeavour to dissuade them from working on war equipment, you should regard it as essential that it should be open to Congress and non-Congress members alike to deliver addresses, and in other ways, to call upon people throughout the country to refrain from assisting India's war effort in any way which would involve India's participation in bloodshed." —Reuter.

LIVERPOOL RAID STOPPED

Nine Hurricanes of R.A.F. Fighter Command yesterday saved Liverpool from what might have been a serious bombing attack.

At about 6.30 p.m. the Hurricanes, on patrol over the Irish Channel, sighted a formation of nine Heinkel 111 bombers roughly midway between St. David's Head, in the south-west corner of Wales, and Rosslare, in Ireland. The Heinkels were flying fast and high to the north-east which would take them to the Liverpool area.

The Hurricanes at once attacked. When they saw one of the pilots, the Heinkels veered towards the west. We kept chasing after them. One crashed into the sea near Wexford. By this time the Heinkels had wheeled right round and were heading back to the south.

Another was badly damaged and is unlikely to have reached home. When last seen it was lagging well behind the rest. Several more jettisoned their bombs after turning back. —British Wireless.

JUNKS IN MINEFIELD

A fleet of 12 junks entered the North Lantau Channel Minefield yesterday and, as a result, the masters were charged before Commander T. C. Stiff this morning.

Each was fined \$30 or 30 days. The fleet was found in the minefield by a naval patrol at 7.30 a.m.

The Embassy promptly denied this, and it appears that the truth is that the Japanese Consul-General asked the Tokyo Foreign Office to send a Japanese ship to pick up some Japanese who wished to return to Japan.

Some of the Japanese firms and banks have decided to reduce their staffs and they asked the Consul-General to arrange for their return to Japan. —Reuter.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent says that the Japanese Consul-General in London, Mr. Uchiyama, acting on the wish of some Japanese residents in the British capital, requested the Foreign Office in Tokyo to send a Japanese ship to evacuate them.

Since the beginning of the Battle of London many Japanese firms and banks had decided to reduce their staffs to a skeleton basis owing to the danger to life from air raids and a certain shrinkage of business.

There is no truth whatsoever in the Tokyo report that the Japanese Embassy in London ordered Japanese residents to leave the country.

Out of some 700 Japanese only about 70 will leave England if and when the Japanese ship arrives.

Heard Nothing

A leading official of the Yokohama Specie Bank told Reuter yesterday: "We have no intention of evacuating and we have heard nothing even faintly resembling this report. If there had been any such order we should certainly have heard from our head office in Tokyo."

"Some Japanese have certainly left London but they have gone of their own accord because business has been bad."

Reuter understands the steamer Fushimi Maru is due in Lisbon about October 20 and may arrive at an English port early in November. —Reuter.

LUFTWAFFE TRIES AGAIN

Big Raids Renewed For First Time Since Friday

Five "Alert" Warnings In London

LONDON HAD FOUR ALERTS UP TO ABOUT 5 O'CLOCK YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, THE FIRST BEING THE RESULT OF A GERMAN BOMBER AND FIGHTER FORMATION NUMBERING 80 WHICH CROSSED THE KENT COAST AND AFTER FLYING A FEW MILES INLAND SPLIT INTO A NUMBER OF SMALL GROUPS.

The machines stayed over coastal districts in Kent and Sussex for a short time before being dispersed.

About 40 aircraft were used in the second attack when the raiders came over the south-east coast in a number of formations.

Before they had gone very far inland they were again intercepted by British fighters and in neither of these attacks did any enemy aircraft reach the London area.

During the third raid British fighters engaged the raiders high over the western suburbs of London.

An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security announcement issued last evening stated the enemy made four large-scale attacks on south and east areas between dawn and early afternoon and A.A. defences were constantly in action.

In the first two attacks which took place at about 9 a.m. and 10.15, respectively, the enemy crossed the coast near Dover and penetrated about 40 miles inland but none reached London.

Bexhill And Hastings

Bombs were dropped at several places in the south-east, notably Bexhill and Hastings, and some damage and casualties, some fatal, were caused in each of these towns.

About an hour later a third attack was made across the Dorset coast where the enemy was engaged. Few of his bombers penetrated any distance inland and no reports of bombs have been received.

The fourth attack was the largest and began soon after 3 p.m. About 180 aircraft flew in over Dungeness and again penetrated inland but were engaged and broken up before reaching the outskirts of London.

Western Suburbs

A few enemy aircraft however, evaded our defences and succeeded in dropping bombs in the western suburbs. Here damage was done and casualties caused but details are not yet available.

It is officially announced that 11 enemy aircraft were destroyed up to 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

London had its fourth alert for a short period late in the afternoon.—Reuter.

AGAIN OVER LONDON LAST NIGHT

German bombers were around London again last evening but the first few hours were remarkably quiet in Central London.

German planes were reported in north-east and south-west areas of England.—Reuter.

Dorset Bombing

An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique states that late yesterday afternoon enemy aircraft approaching in three separate forces crossed the coasts of Kent and Sussex simultaneously.

Our fighters engaged the scattered enemy. A few bombs were dropped and some damage caused at a town in Dorset and a town in the Thames Valley where there were some casualties. Elsewhere damage was slight.

During the afternoon an isolated attack was made on a town in Suffolk. Houses were damaged but reports indicate casualties were very few.—Reuter.

"BAG" JUMPS TO 47

An Air Ministry report late last evening stated the day's bag of Nazi raiders had been increased to 47, one of them having been downed by A.A. guns.

Twenty-two of our fighters were lost but the pilots of 12 are safe.—Reuter.

JAPAN BLAMES ROOSEVELT

DIDN'T WANT TO DO IT!

A TOKYO MESSAGE SAYS THAT THE "JAPAN TIMES," AN ENGLISH-LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER WHICH FREQUENTLY REFLECTS THE OFFICIAL JAPANESE VIEW, YESTERDAY BITTERLY ATTACKED PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S POLICY IN THE FAR EAST.

The U.S. Government, says the paper, "forced" Japan to join the Axis by a series of "stealthy incidents."

Japan, Germany and Italy could have carried on without special alliance if the "provocativeness of the United States had not been past all bearing."—Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE RAIDS

It is officially announced in Nairobi that Birikau, in Italian Somaliland, was successfully raided for the third time by the South African Air Force on Saturday.

The communique adds that administrative buildings received direct hits by heavy high explosive and incendiary bombs.

Some of the buildings were burned out.

Other South African squadrons carried out reconnaissances and have nothing to report.

All the aircraft in the operations returned safely to their base.—Reuter.

STARTLING MOVE BY U.S. GOVERNMENT

The United States Government yesterday filed suit against twenty-two major oil companies and the American Petroleum Institute, charging them with unlawful monopoly, price-fixing and conspiracy in violation of the Sherman anti-Trust Act.

The Government is asking the Federal District Court of Columbia to restrain the companies from acquiring oil reserves for monopolistic purposes and to dissolve the American Petroleum Institute.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN AIRCRAFT OUTPUT

Mr. Fadden, the Australian Air Minister, stated in Melbourne yesterday that Australia is producing two de Havilland Moth training planes daily and is now filling overseas orders for training aircraft from the surplus home supply.

He added that the output at Wirraway is already 30 planes a month.—Reuter.

COALITION SOUGHT IN AUSTRALIA

MR. MENZIES, THE AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER, IS REPORTED TO BE TAKING STEPS TO PREVENT A STALEMATE AS A RESULT OF THE GENERAL ELECTIONS, WHICH HAVE LEFT ONLY A SMALL MARGIN BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE OPPOSITION.

Mr. R. G. Menzies is inviting Mr. Cameron, Mr. Curtin and Mr. Leasley, respectively leaders of the Country, Labour and Anti-Communist Labour Parties, to meet him on Friday to discuss methods of instituting an effective government.

Mr. Menzies said that as a result of the recent elections no party will have a majority giving it clear authority in the new Parliament, and thus a National Government was the only practicable course to ensure stability and a strong war effort during the most vital period in Australian history.—Reuter.

BIG TIN DEPOSITS DISCOVERED

Tin deposits estimated by Egyptian experts at some half a million tons have been discovered in the neighbourhood of Kossair on the Red Sea Coast.

The Under-Secretary of Finance declares that these mines should produce about 15,000 tons of pure tin annually.—Reuter.

THAILAND MISSION IN INDIA

The goodwill mission from Thailand, touring India, arrived at Calcutta yesterday. The members are remaining in India until the middle of October as the guests of the Government of India.—Reuter.



There are over 100 pupils at a school for Belgian refugee children in London. The school, which is situated in St. John's Wood Park, is free and all the teachers are Belgian. Photo shows some of the young refugees dashing out of their school at playtime. (Copyright, Fox).

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KUNMING RAIDED FROM INDO-CHINA

Foreign property suffered heavily when 27 Japanese planes from one of the newly acquired bases in Indo-China yesterday subjected Yunnanfu to the severest raid the city has yet experienced.

There were no foreign casualties.—Reuter.

Kunming was indiscriminately bombed, the Japanese planes killing and wounding some 400 civilians and causing considerable damage to Chinese and foreign property.

The air raid alarm was sounded in the city at 10.20 a.m. when 45 Japanese aircraft were reported to have crossed the Indo-China border heading for Kunming.

About 12.30 p.m. the machines neared Kunming and were intercepted by Chinese fighters, while Chinese A.A. batteries set up a barrage.

Bombs were then indiscriminately let loose over the city by the invading aircraft.

The "all clear" was sounded at 2.30 p.m.—Our Own Correspondent.

A PLAN FOR ACTION!

Chinese official reaction to the Axis-Japanese alliance is still obscure but it is understood that China's strong disapproval will be enunciated in a statement to be made to-day.

Meanwhile the influential Chinese newspaper "Ta Kung Pao" advocates the recall of the Chinese Ambassador in Berlin.

It points out that the new three-power pact is definitely a hostile action against China, and proposes that the Chinese and British Governments should defend Burma for the protection of Singapore, and that Britain should re-open the Burma road.

The newspaper adds this would enable Britain and the United States to rush supplies to China so the Chinese army can "launch a counter-offensive" against the Japanese on land while the British and American navies attack Japan by sea.—Reuter.

TANGIER MOVES

Following the Dakar episode the authorities at Tangier are tightening control over all people suspected of being hostile to the Axis powers.

It is learned that 20 British subjects have been ordered to leave Casablanca for the interior so they can be kept under closer supervision.

There are signs that the infiltration of Axis elements in French Morocco is being accentuated.—Reuter.

TENTH HAIFA RAID

HUNDREDS GATHERED ON MOUNT CARMEL ON SUNDAY TO WATCH THE ITALIANS ATTEMPT THEIR TENTH RAID ON HAIFA. THE RAIDERS TWISTED AND DIVED TO AVOID THE FIRE OF SHORE BATTERIES.

They then climbed to a great height and released their bombs over wasteland and into the sea.

Ten people were slightly injured but there was no material damage.—Reuter.

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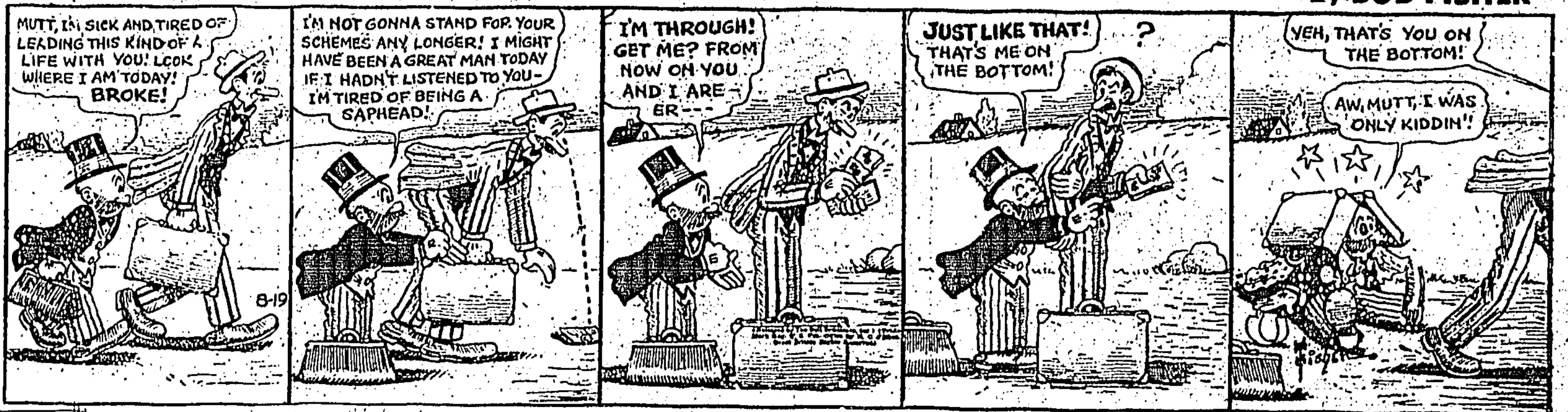
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SIR HUGH DOWDING AWARDED G.C.B.

The Air Ministry announced last night that His Majesty the King has appointed Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding to be Knight Grand Cross of the Military Division of the Order of the Bath.—Reuter.

STOCK EXCHANGE "STEADY, QUIET"

The London Stock Exchange was generally steady yesterday though trading was quiet. Gilt-edged fluctuated narrowly, and industrials' gains and losses were about equal. Kaflirs were subjected to small profit-taking. Wall Street was steady.—Reuter.

THE R.A.F. MEN who man the bombers that daily deal out destruction to military objectives in Germany are getting a little bored with the monotony — or so it would appear from several modest interviews yesterday!

"The first time we got the order to bomb Berlin we were thrilled," said a Pilot-Officer. "Now it's just another trip.

"It's not a comfortable journey because of the distance." Occasionally, the German anti-aircraft batteries keep firing at them and the weather is not always pleasant.

"But we cruise around till we hit the targets, which are easy to find," he said.

"There's really nothing to the Berlin trip," said a Sergeant-Pilot. "It's as easy as riding a bicycle."

Another Sergeant-Pilot said that at times the Nazi anti-aircraft gunners kept firing away at them both on the outward and the homeward journeys, "but it doesn't bother us now, we're used to it."

A Pilot-Officer who, before the war, used to do circus tricks on

a motor-cycle, complained that there was "no excitement at all!"

Once, an enemy fighter came within 70 yards of his plane. He withheld, his fire to see what the German would do. It sheered off.

A Squadron-Leader said:—"Although we've not been very lucky so far as the weather over Berlin is concerned, there are so many land-marks we have no difficulty finding our objectives."

"Targets we have been sent out to bomb have been bombed, I can assure you!" — Reuter.

1,800 GIRLS CALL

One thousand girls working in the carpet factories at Kidderminster were urgently required to go to a munitions factory some considerable distance away for a special three weeks' job.

Eighteen-hundred volunteered. The call came from the Government at four o'clock in the afternoon, just as the girls were finishing a hard day's work at their benches in Kidderminster.

But the same night, the 300 of them comprising the first shift went straight from their work, without returning home, to the munitions factory. There they worked all through the night until dawn next day.

One thousand girls have been released from the carpet factories for this special munitions job.

"We are very proud of them," said an official of one of the firms in Kidderminster who has temporarily released 300 girls.

"They are working at the munitions factory on three shifts of eight hours during the day and night. When the job is finished we shall take them back."

"Many of them have to get up at four o'clock in the morning and cycle for more than an hour to the railway station to catch the train. "After a rail journey they walk to the munitions factory."

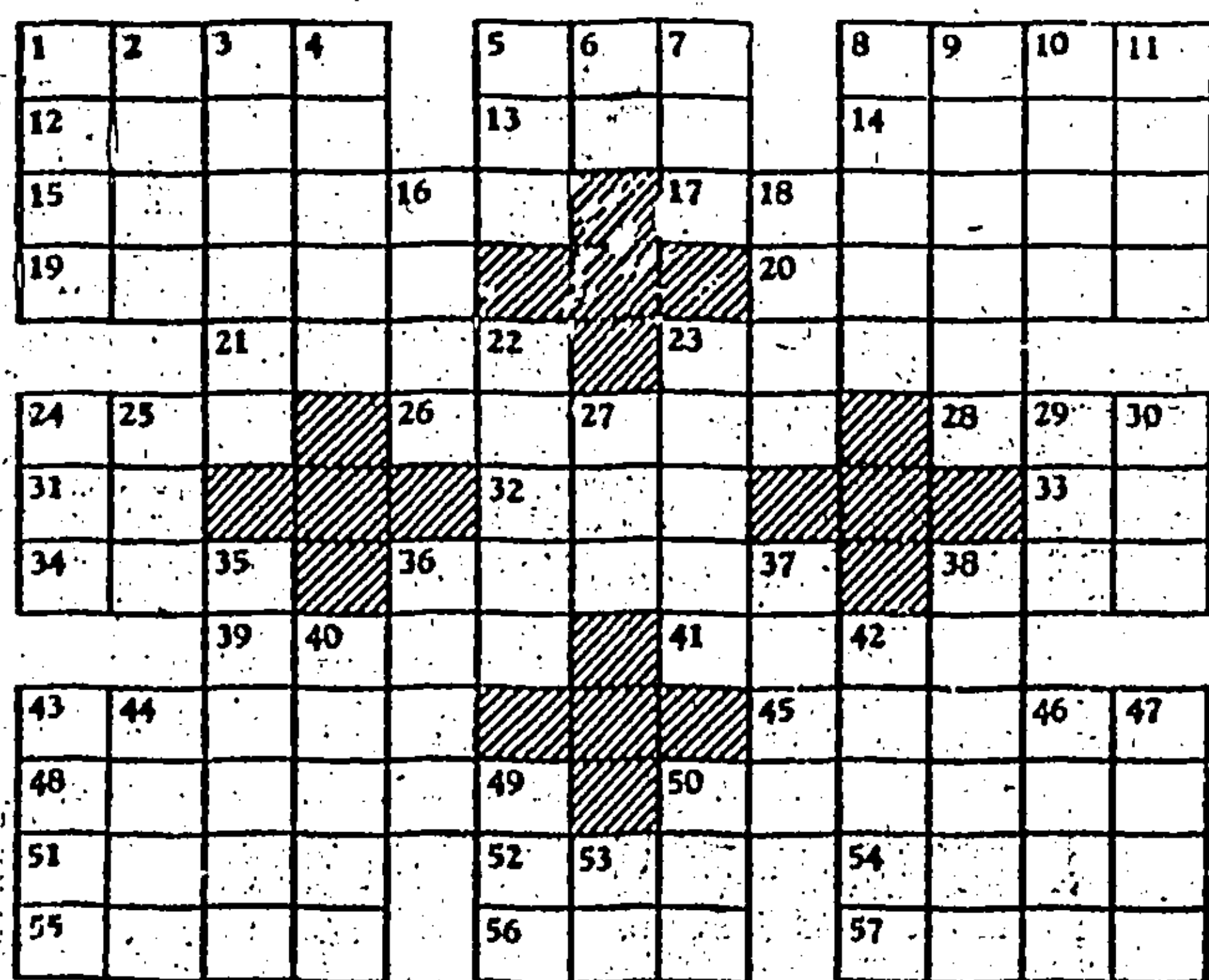
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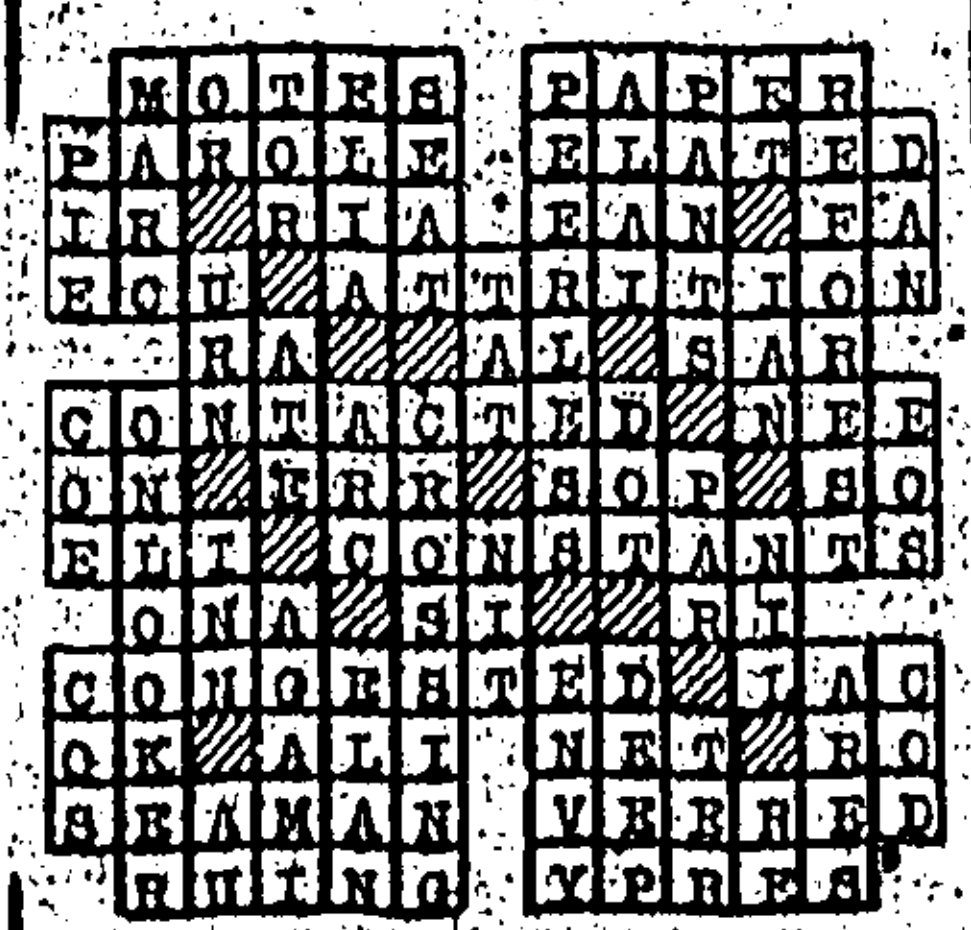
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- 19 Japanese pagoda
- 20 To append
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- 22 Lake-trout
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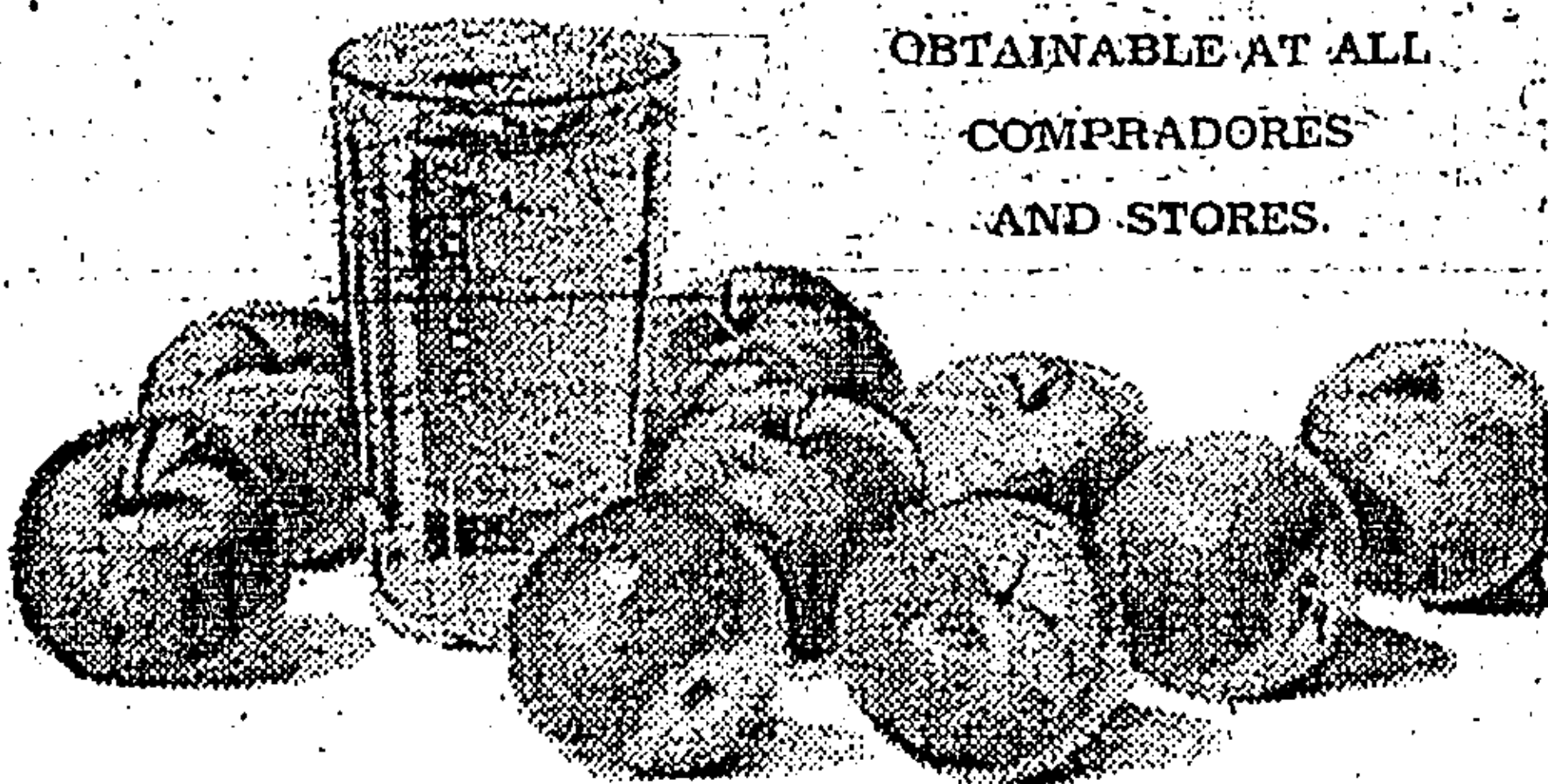
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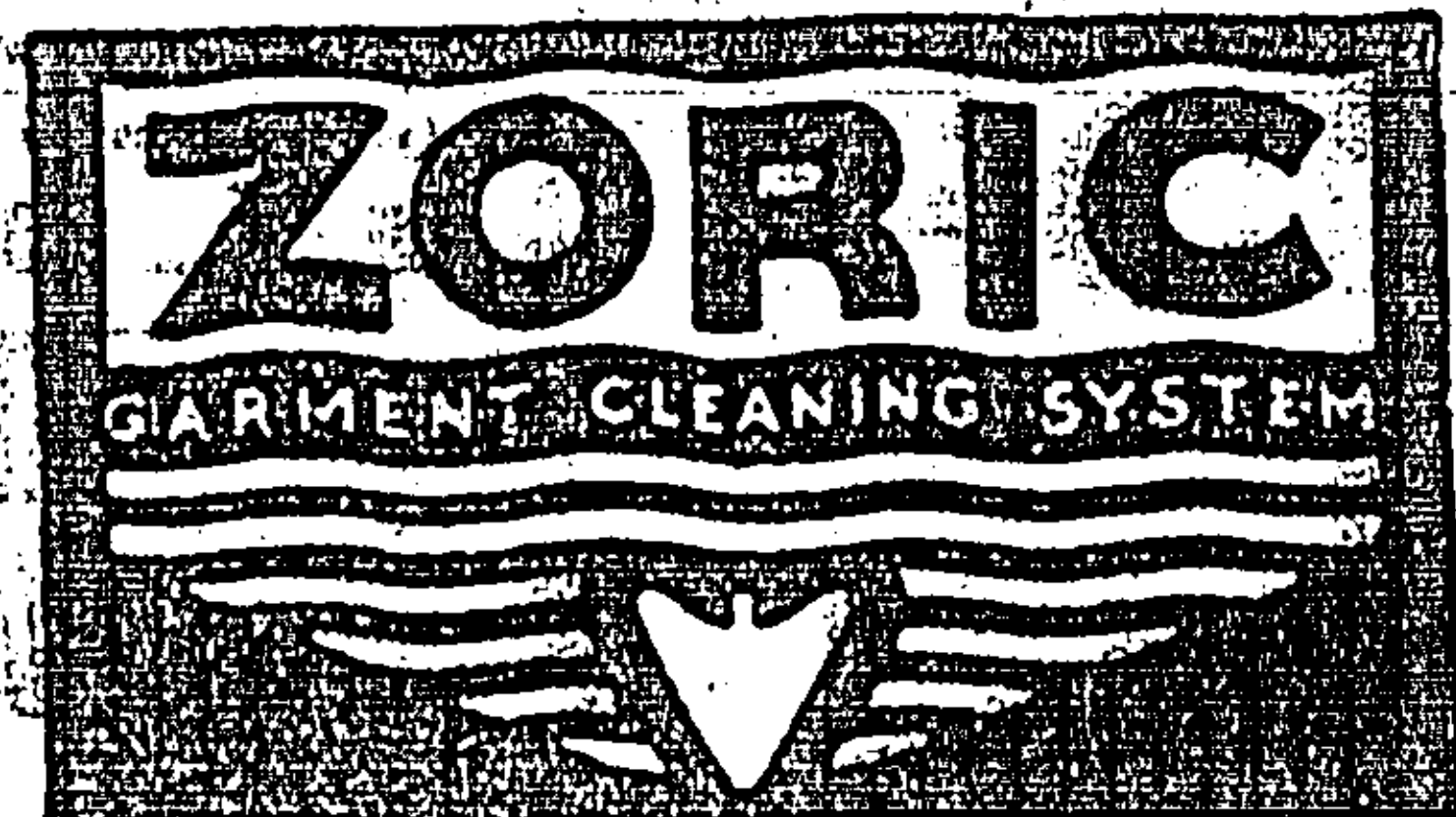
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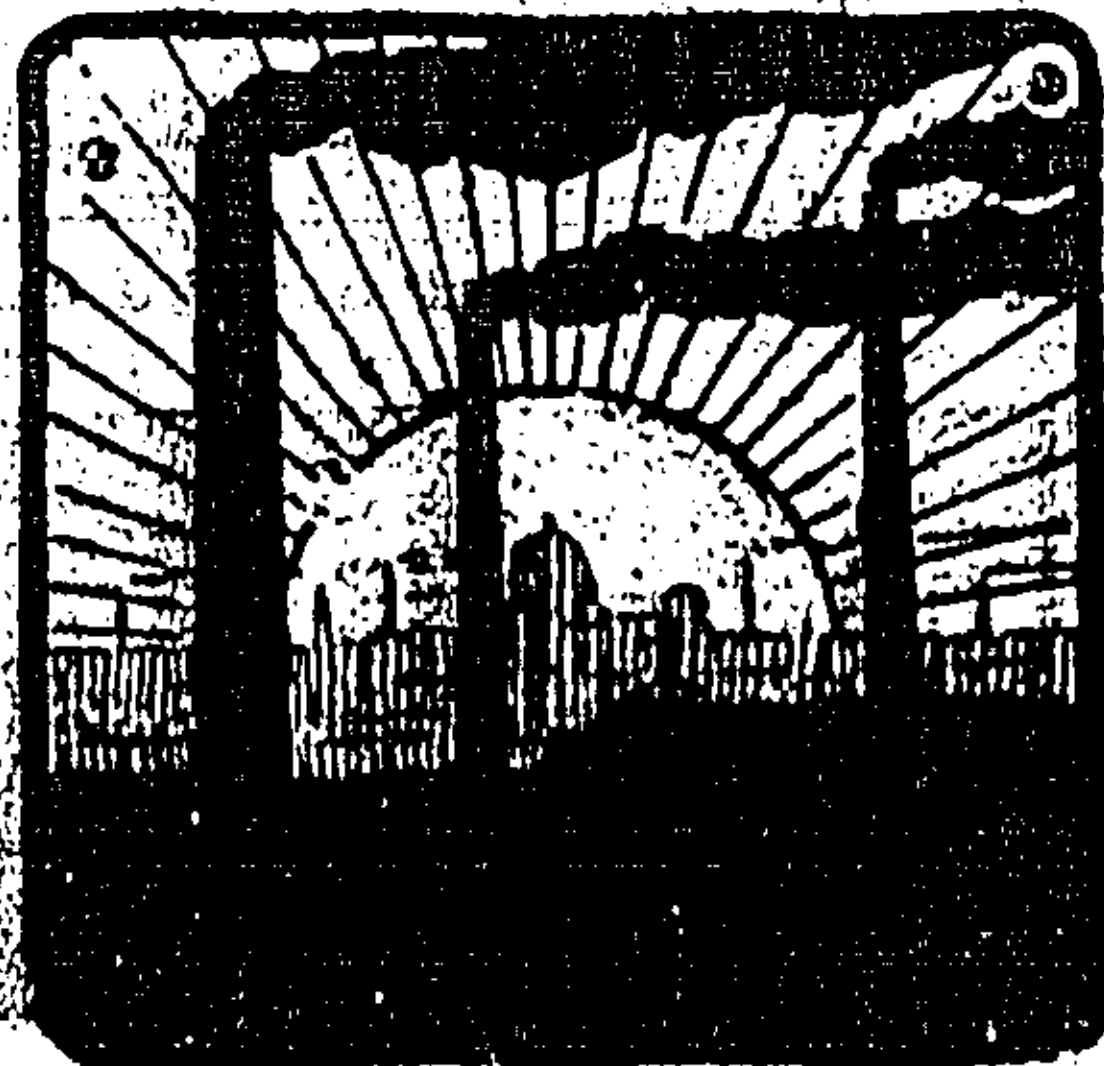
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Robert Taylor, who plays the leading male role opposite Hedy Lamarr in "Lady of the Tropics," will start work on a new picture assignment this week in "Remember." His leading lady will be Greer Garson, who last was seen in "Goodbye Mr. Chips."

COLONEL HERO OF LOST LEGION

A LARGE SWASTIKA FLAG which once flew from the stern of a German warship is the trophy of the French Foreign Legion who fought at Narvik and are now in camp in Britain with other members of General de Gaulle's forces.

The flag hangs in the office of the colonel commanding the legion, who cherish it as their finest souvenir of the war.

The colonel wears spectacles and strives to conceal a limp. His fingers are awkward when he picks up a paper from his desk—and hundreds of the most stubborn, courageous soldiers in the world spring to obey his orders with the eagerness which only admiration can command.

For this quiet, limping figure in the fawn beret is worshipped as one of the most gallant soldiers of France by his men—some of the toughest fighters in Europe.

The colonel hobbles across an English parade ground now to review the many hundreds of his Legionnaires, for they form part of the Army of All Free Frenchmen under General de Gaulle.

Their names are their secret, for these warriors form a Legion of Lost Men. France believes that half of them have perished, and they are content that there should be that belief.

If their names were known—"We still have relatives on the Continent," they say with a shrug.

Five rows of medal ribbons show bright against the Colonel's faded tunic to tell of campaigns in every clime.

"But he's got lots more," the Englishwoman, Lieutenant R. Ford, who is his driver, told a reporter.

Ten times the palms have been added to his Croix de Guerre. He walks with a limp because one leg is 2in. shorter than the other—a shot in the thigh did that.

His fingers are stiff and awkward from the wounds he received in his hands. His skull is scarred from three trepanning operations. Seven times he has been wounded.

She Fights On

"Twice in the last war he fell into the hands of the Germans, twice he escaped. He led his men into Narvik, and the swastika flag in his office is a trophy of the capture of that town.

Lieutenant Ford wears the uniform of France. She was the

only English officer in the French women's ambulance unit, and with her convoy of ambulances loaded with wounded she made her way from a point near the Luxembourg frontier to the south of France.

She came to England, where she will continue to serve beside the Frenchmen who fight on.

They have been in Britain a month, now, these men of forty-two nationalities. Poles, Swiss, Arabs, Greeks, Spaniards, a Georgian nobleman and odd Englishman, men from every corner of the world.

They are itching to be up and doing. One, with seventeen

THEIR WAR AID -- FAIRY TALES

SIXTY-TWO WOMEN have qualified at a famous University in the art of telling fairy-stories and generally amusing and caring for children during and after air raids. There were nine lectures in the course.

The women are the first of the North-East's newest type of national service workers—children's wardens. Many more are likely to be trained.

The pioneers of the corps are mainly women between thirty and forty years of age and are drawn from middle-class homes in the area. Many have husbands in the Forces or have had their children evacuated.

Professor Brian Stanley told a reporter: "The idea of training women as children's wardens came from one of my staff—Miss Mary Atkinson.

"The women have had a thorough training in such things as the type of story to tell children of different ages, the making of simple articles, such as paper hats from old newspapers and elementary first aid.

"Their main job will be to keep children's minds occupied not only during an air raid,

"I DON'T KNOW MOSLEY"

... Lord Redesdale

Lord Redesdale, whose daughter married Sir Oswald Mosley, is bitterly opposed to Fascism and "does not even know" his son-in-law.

These statements were made by Lord Redesdale on his return to London from his home on the Scottish island of Inch Kenneth.

"In view of recent questions in the House of Commons concerning myself and my home in Scotland, in which I have been described as 'an associate of the Fascists,' I desire to make the following statement," he said.

"I have always been most bitterly opposed to any form of Fascism, and can only suppose that I am believed to be a Fascist because my daughter married Sir Oswald Mosley.

"This marriage, however, was a secret one, and I was not told of it till months after it had taken place.

"In point of fact, however, I do not even know Sir Oswald Mosley. I have seen him on only two occasions, both some years ago.

"On the first I was introduced to him in someone else's house, and said, 'How do you do?'; on the second I did not even speak to him, nor have I ever attended any of his public or private meetings.

"I certainly blame no man who, at this moment, does or says anything which he believes, on the information he has, to be in the interests of the safety of the country.

"But I am very anxious indeed to make it quite plain once and for all that this charge against me is completely untrue."

The statement was signed by Lord Redesdale.

"I'M NO FASCIST"

Monty Banks, the film producer husband of Gracie Fields, denied the allegation made in a House of Commons question that he is a Fascist.

"I happened to be born in Italy but I have no political views. I'm certainly not Fascist," he said in an interview.

"It's strange that people who were my friends in England are turning against me. I made lots of money for the English film industry, and very little for myself. And all the money I possess is in an English bank."

years of fighting in Morocco, Algiers, China, Norway and France, is, in particular, shaming at the bit.

This last month has been the longest period he has ever had without a scrap!

Yet, the manager of the N.A.A.F.I. canteen where they eat, said that these warriors are the best-behaved men he has ever had to serve.

They Have 'Iron Rations'

Another novel idea is reported from Cheshire, where schoolchildren are carrying "iron rations" as well as their gas masks.

The scheme was suggested by a teacher to ensure that if the children were kept in their shelters by an air raid for several hours they need not go hungry.

Each child carries a tin containing plain biscuits and some chocolate.

The scheme has been enthusiastically adopted by schools in the county, Miss E. Wright, headmistress of Gatley Primary School said.



IRRESISTIBLE?

The alliance between Tokyo and the Axis, factually, changes little. What was understood is now openly professed.

It will do Britain more good than harm, however, if, as is likely, its effect is to bring home to Americans how close they are to actual conflict, how circumstances are compelling them to a decision, or at least to a long-range defence policy which will involve stinting themselves in order that Britain be maintained in the forefront in overwhelming strength.

If world conditions were such that a nation could keep out of war simply by not being disposed to go to war, these arguments would have some force. But Europe has seen one nation after another overrun whose deepest desire was to be left in peace. Even isolationists generally accept the thesis that the only way for America safely to assume it will not have to go to war is to be prepared for it if it comes.

On this premise, however, the three contentions of the die-hard isolationists boil down to strange and grim conclusions. Thus:

To hold that one should not begin to fight until his country is invaded is, in effect, to prefer that war should be fought on American soil, destroying American homes, giving hostages of American resources rather than that its tide should be met and turned back before it reaches United States shores.

Those who oppose furnishing assistance to Britain may reasonably be asked, "Do you mean you would rather wait until the lives of American sailors instead of British sailors shall be risked in operating destroyers, and do you prefer that the American Army and Navy should have to fight—possibly Japan and Germany at once—without an ally in the world rather than with one?"

Finally, those who plead to save American youth from conscription and training in peacetime for defence are advocating a complacent course that may result in these young men being sent into battle as the most helpless kind of "cannon fodder"—untrained troops—instead of skilled in how to protect themselves.

The people who take these positions are for the most part keenly conscientious. They are try-



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Four Military Tasks

Four military tasks confront this country in its present situation: (1) Repelling (or, better still, destroying) effective invasion; (2) Imposing blockade on the enemy; (3) Raising the enemy's counter-blockade; (4) Ultimately taking offensive. This last point is commonly understated or omitted; its necessity will be explained when we reach it.

These four acts are neither consecutive nor indissoluble. The first three might come into play simultaneously or only two of them might. Their connection is not necessary or indissoluble: either because one of them, invasion, is a separate proposition from the rest, while the last one, the counter-offensive, takes on its full value only when all the other three are accounted for. But complete failure in any one of these acts would mean defeat according to the degree of that failure, while failure in the first, the repelling of the effective invasion, would mean defeat of all the rest. Upon the carrying out of these acts, and especially the last, the counter-offensive, depends the survival of this country in the national position it has held for generations.

Invaders' Task

1.—Repelling effective invasion. Only effective invasion is to be considered, i.e., massive invasion on a scale permitting full and permanent occupation and compelling the destruction or capitulation of the defence. If such invasion succeeds it succeeds altogether. No partial success is possible, that is, no partial success could be of final service to the enemy, because whatever sufficient body of resistance remained would in the nature of things be increasingly reinforced by the defence with its much greater resources and world-wide connections (supposing, of course, that communication by sea were not interrupted). If effective invasion on a large scale and occupying the invaded territory fully is successful nothing could oust it or destroy it, save a fully equipped and fully organised army on the same scale at least as the invader's own forces.

Now the conditions of effective invasion on such a scale are simple and known to everybody: they

ing to think in humane and sympathetic terms. Yet is this true solicitude for American youth and civilised behaviour in the world?

mean (a) the establishment of two or more bridgeheads and (b) the maintenance of permanent communications overseas between those bridgeheads and the enemy's sources of supply in men and munitionment from the continent. As to (a), it is by no means an impossible task, beginning on a reduced scale and increasing after the bridgeheads were established. More than one bridgehead and preferably widely separated bridgeheads are a condition of such invasion, because an isolated bridgehead would invite immediate and overwhelming naval and military concentration against its small beginnings. Therefore feint and diversion are necessary to the invader.

Problem Never Solved

Such bridgeheads, we say, are conceivable enough. The military opposition to them from within might well be at first insufficient and the naval threat against them from without would at first be

By HILAIRE BELLOC

scattered, awaiting concentration. It is rather the second condition, the maintenance of permanent communications between the bridgeheads and the continent, which presents the most formidable difficulties. No doubt the enemy has built and concentrated transport and has added also by new building to his striking power by sea. No doubt, along comparatively short and narrow lanes great superiority in the air might guarantee transport temporarily.

But temporary transport would be worthless. Transport would have to be permanent and on a very large scale indeed. This is true even of the supplies required for the personnel, and when we add to this the very great difficulties of conveying and landing the heavy material, tanks and artillery and munitionment, which the effort would require, it should be manifest that the establishment of permanent communications by the enemy between his bases and his invading forces would present a problem never yet solved and perhaps insoluble.

The Kernel

When we consider that the main obstacle to any such action is still the fleet, which in mere numbers remains overwhelmingly superior to anything the enemy can have provided, and in trained personnel is still more strikingly superior,

the full nature of the problem will be apparent. In marine gunnery alone the defence outclasses the offensive by sea, and on the one side you have a professional personnel formed by years of long training, on the other a short-service conscript personnel. The difference is not to be neglected.

The maintenance of permanent communications therefore is the kernel of the invasion business from the point of view of the enemy, and is by far the heaviest of his tasks, perhaps beyond power of accomplishment.

It may be argued that invasion being now possible not only by sea but by air, such arguments as these are obsolete. That is indeed the contention of those who, on the enemy side, have been most hopeful of success. But the use of the air for invasion must consider the excellence of the numerically inferior air force on the side of the defence. This superiority in quality is, as we have constantly pointed out, increasing. Wherever the enemy has hitherto struck with full success he has met with no adequate resistance in this arm; here he would meet with high resistance.

Air Blockade

2.—Imposing blockade. Supposing invasion on sufficient scale be not attempted, the defensive would rely upon the traditional power of blockade and the offensive (that is the enemy action against us) upon the novel experiment of counter-blockade, the closing of our ports by enemy action from the air.

The enemy has rightly insisted upon the much greater difficulty which our effort at blockading him will suffer from the extension of the approaches to be watched. Until lately it sufficed to watch the issues of the North Sea and the Channel. It is now necessary to consider all the French Atlantic coast and, of course, the entries to the Mediterranean, which included the entry of the Red Sea. Nor can blockade be imposed, even with a wholly superior naval power, on supplies across the Near East and the Black Sea.

On all these accounts the enemy has affirmed the impossibility of the old-fashioned blockade against him being established under present conditions. It is to be remarked that neutral opinion, so far as it can be gauged by the neutral Press, inclines to the enemy's thesis here, but only experience can decide.

3.—Raising the counter-blockade. Can the enemy establish a counter-blockade and, if so, could the defence raise it when it was established or in course of establishment?

As for the first of these questions the difficulties in the enemy's way appear on inspection to be as formidable here as in any other department. The great extent of our own coastline and the great number of available ports, coupled with the obvious fact that the defence possesses interior lines, are the conditions adverse to a counter-blockade of this island by the enemy. It has not as yet been really attempted. The main arm against it (which is defence from the air) works at the shortest possible ranges and from bases which are, like every other form of island defence, upon interior lines.

The Final Decision

4.—Counter-offensive. The fourth point we have called the most essential. It is the point of an ultimate counter-offensive against the enemy. In all human conflict there can be but two forms of conclusive action. One is the offensive, carried on from start to finish till a decision is reached; the other is the defensive, and the defensive can have only one object which is the gaining of time in which to develop the opportunities for an offensive later on. A permanent defensive is inconceivable as a method. It is a contradiction in terms. The most powerful defensive systems in history (of which perhaps the crusading Syrian castles were for their period the best examples) have never served for defence only but always for ultimate counter-offensive. Lacking the success of this last, a defensive system has always failed and must fail.

Now, what are the opportunities for the counter-offensive on our side in the present struggle? The moral factors are numerous, the chief among them being the general opinion of the civilised world and the growing reaction of those whom the enemy has oppressed, occupied, and massacred. But neglecting this imponderable, which cannot be measured or decisively discussed, there is one major opportunity for counter-offensive from our side. That opportunity not only remains intact so long as invasion is repelled but continually increases in value. It is the use of the air arm.

The knowledge of this makes the enemy subject to the conditions of a comparatively short war. He may, for purposes of ruse, talk otherwise, but he knows well enough that unless he can occupy the base from which he will be attacked, which base is this island, the ultimate increasing superiority of the air arm, not only in quality but in quantity, will involve a decision against him.



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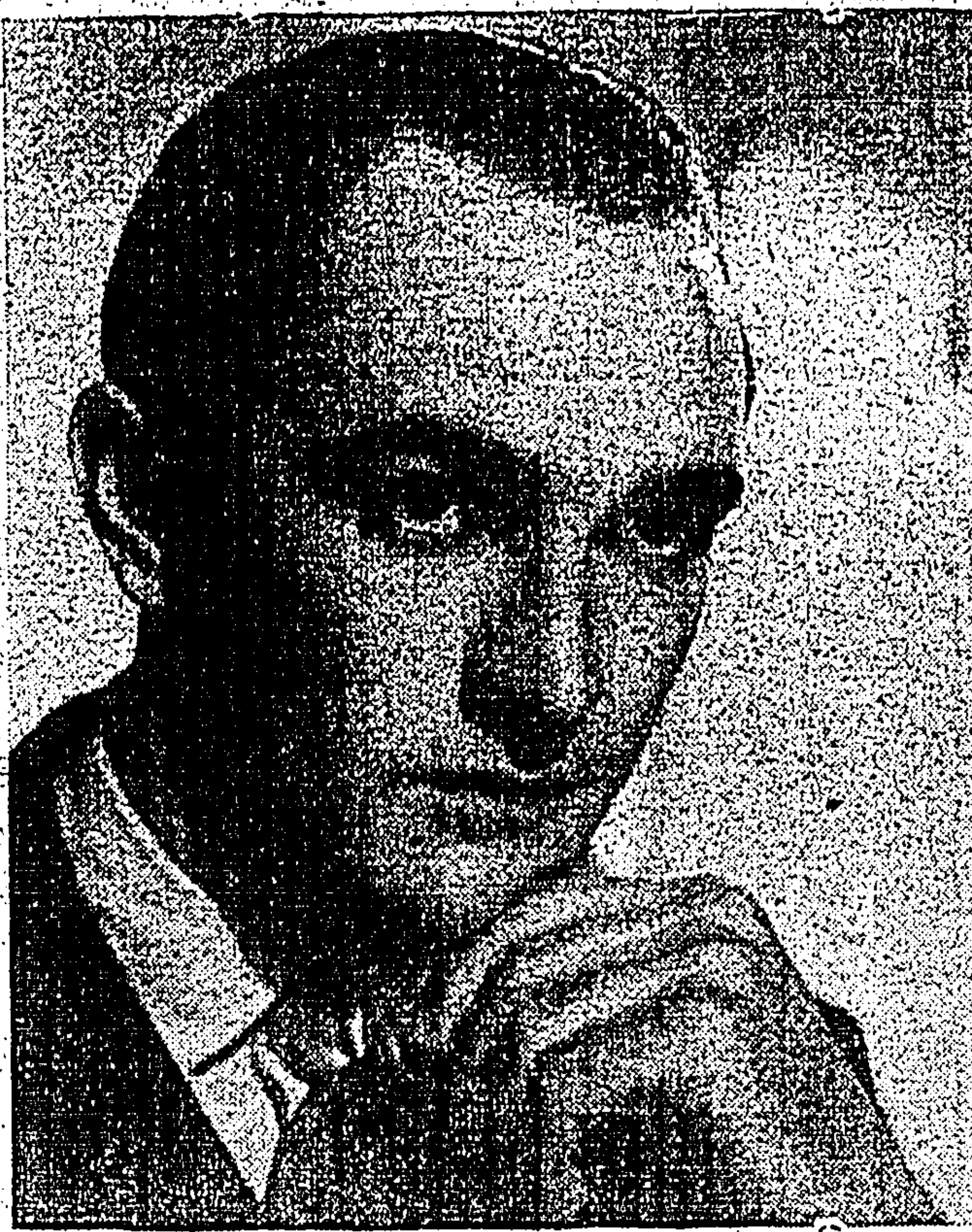
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NO GAG ON THE BRITISH PRESS

ATTEMPTS TO GAG the British Press have been dropped. The Ministry of Information announced that there would be no compulsory censorship. The present system of voluntary censorship will stay.

This is the Government's decision. The announcement was made as Lord Strabolgi, speaking in London to the National Council for Civil Liberties, declared:—

"If the British Press had been regimented, as some authorities seem to desire, there would have been no change of Government last May, and we should now be well on our way to defeat."

"The freedom of the Press is doubly necessary since the former Oppositions in Parliament have entered the Government."

"The British Press, the finest in the world, should be its own censor. A free Press will help us to win the war."

In the Ministry announcement Mr. Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, disclaimed all intention of interfering with the free expression of opinion.

Somebody Had The Idea

The announcement also revealed that the Press had flatly told him it would oppose any compulsory censorship.

The idea—and presumably somebody had it—was dropped.

The Ministry found it necessary to issue more assurances that its "Silent Column" campaign was no attack on free speech.

One assurance came from its Parliamentary Secretary, Mr. Harold Nicolson.

He spoke at a "Silent Column" demonstration at Hendon, Middlesex.

Fifteen thousand people were there. But Mr. Nicolson was not the only draw.

The Ministry had decided to make propaganda attractive. It provided entertainment by Jack Warner, Rene Houston and Donald Stewart. Will Fyfe, Flotsam and Jetsam, Will Hay, Lucan and McShane.

After a two-hour, all-star show the crowd went away singing—and trying to remember just what Mr. Nicolson said.

He said the Ministry of Information bore no resemblance to the Goebbels factory. It did not want any Gestapo atmosphere in Britain.

The campaign against rumour is irritating to a free people, but we have no wish to restrict human converse or to damp neighbourly gossip," he went on.

Safety Valves

"Our purpose is to warn the public that our enemies rely on rumour to create confusion, spread despondency, elicit valuable information and diminish confidence."

"We do not want people to cease talking to each other or to regard every questioner with the cold eye of suspicion. We want people to be more friendly and neighbourly than they have been."

"Grouse and grumble are safety valves which have enabled this old boiler of ours to carry on through many tempests without explosion."

"Men and women can prevent our enemies from deriving from careless conversation information of military value; prevent our enemies spreading anxiety by alarming stories; prevent gloomy talk from undermining the will power of the people."

"Talk more than you have ever talked before, but talk of victory."

Give News Quickly

He praised the "good sense, the patience, admirable temper and very real intelligence with which the Press have cooperated with the Ministry" in the system of voluntary censorship.

What Mr. Nicolson did not tell his audience was that the most effective way of preventing or killing rumour is a speedier release—compatible with national interests—by the Ministry of news of national importance.

An M.P. is to attack the "Silent Column."

Mr. Kenneth Lindsay (N. Lab., Kilmarnock) is to ask the Prime Minister "whether he is aware that the policy of the formation of silent columns, of the regulation relating to the spreading of gloom and despondency, and the arbitrary arrest and release of British citizens is diminishing the bracing effects of his own speeches and broadcasts and belittling the loyalty and intelligence of the British people."

BRITAIN WINS TOY TRADE WAR

The doll the little Peruvian girl fondles and the model aeroplane that is the joy of some small boy in the Dutch East Indies is no longer "Made in Germany"—it has come from one of Britain's busy toy factories.

Since war began exports of British manufactured toys have increased by 50 per cent. British firms have seized markets in China, the Dutch East Indies, Chile, Peru, the Argentine, the U.S.A. and in other foreign countries previously monopolised by Germany.

The Government is giving toy manufacturers special facilities for export trade, and the restrictions on raw materials for toys for the home market do not apply to toys going abroad.

The director of a large toy-making works in South London told a reporter, "We can't just make enough dolls to meet the demand. Our trade has increased by 100 per cent. since last September."

Dolls The Biggest Line

"Dolls are by far our biggest line of manufacture. They go out in their thousands to South America, and in spite of the 70 per cent. duty on toys going into the United States, we are doing an enormous trade there, too."

"Other big customers for all kinds of toys are South Africa and India, and the Dominions and Colonies generally are large buyers of British-made toys."

"The increase in overseas markets and the number of new orders has meant full time work for our factory. Some departments can only meet the demand by working overtime."

About the only markets left to German toy makers are in the Balkans—but these are small.

RUMOUR COST £42

A member of the Observer Corps, who spread the rumour that two parachutists had been dropped at Wigmore, Herefordshire, and four at Bewdley and had been caught, was fined £30 with £12 16s. costs at Leominster.

He was Percy Arnold Brown, of Ludlow. It was stated that he went to Ludlow Police Station and was told the rumour was untrue and subsequently motorised to Wigmore and found there was no truth in the report. He then returned home to Ludlow and on his way stopped five people and told them that six parachutists had been caught.

CHURCH AID FOR COAST AREAS

A sufficiency of spiritual care will be secured for those remaining in evacuation areas, writes the Archbishop of Canterbury in his "Diocesan Gazette."

"If orders for compulsory evacuation are issued, plainly some of our churches will become redundant," he says. "A recent measure gives legal powers to close such churches and to arrange for the transfer of the clergy to places where their services may be more useful."

"Where the need arises I shall not hesitate to use these powers."

EVACUEES STRANDED

Mr. F. C. Blair, Canadian Director of Immigration, revealed that several hundred persons, including some children with adults from Britain, were stranded in Canada because friends and relatives who had invited them were failing in their obligations. These friends had not realised their financial responsibilities as money could not be imported.—Reuter.

SIDELIGHTS OF RAIDS ON BRITAIN

STRANGE THINGS, many unrecorded, are happening every day in air-raided Britain. Here are some of the minor events which show how the British civilian is dealing with war-time emergencies.

A Dornier, riddled with a spitfire's bullets, fled south over the Thames estuary. Suddenly its tail snapped off and the bomber crashed — in a field near some houses. When householders hurried over they found two of the crew badly injured, the other two unhurt.

They took the uninjured men to a house and decided that they had better be separated. So one of the Germans was invited to take a bath. He accepted — and was locked in the bathroom until soldiers arrived.

In south-east England a Nazi fighter landed in a freshly cut cornfield. Railwaymen working on the line went over and took the pilot prisoner.

But of course they had to get on with their own job. So they left the airman in the cornfield — after taking away his boots and socks. The Nazi did not even try to escape.

Rural Council Solemnity

A meeting of the rural council was being held in a south-eastern district when raiders were reported in the vicinity.

Solemnly the chairman rose and proposed: "That this meeting do adjourn to an air-raid shelter."

Solemnly a councillor rose: "I beg leave to second the motion."

Solemnly the councillors raised their hands. The chairman declared the motion carried. And solemnly they walked to an air-raid shelter where the business of the meeting was continued.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith were walking through the streets of a south-eastern town, when a raid began. They carried a jug and a saucer and they were going to their old home, destroyed by bombs a month ago. They went on walking during the raid because they were expected — by Smuts, their cat.

Although Mr. and Mrs. Smith have a new home, Smuts refuses to leave the bricks and wood where he always lived. They have tried everything to get him away. Now they are resigned to taking the cat his food every day among the ruins of their own home.

Downed During Funeral

Overhead on the south-east coast raged a terrific air battle. Below, a funeral procession wound its slow way to the cemetery. Men in R.A.F. uniform carried the coffin. An R.A.F. chaplain conducted the service. Above one of the Nazi planes fell in back smoke. Below, the mourners lowered into its grave the body of a young German airman, brought down four days earlier.

During the Ranspm murder trial at Tonbridge, Kent, raiders were reported:

"Very inconsiderate people overhead" remarked Mr. G. R. Palling, prosecuting counsel. With that the witness continued his evidence.

WOMAN BECOMES MAJOR

For the first time a woman doctor is to hold senior Army rank. Dr. Anna Reaveley Glover, of the R.A.M.C., has been appointed Deputy Assistant Director of Medical Services for the A.T.S. Eastern Command.

She will rank as a major, wear a major's badges, and receive the ordinary pay and allowances of an R.A.M.C. major. But she will still be addressed as "Doctor."

FUNNIEST STORY FROM ROME

"IF THE BRITISH PEOPLE COULD EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS BY A PLEBISCITE, FROM SEVENTY-FIVE TO EIGHTY PER CENT. WOULD ACCEPT THE HAND WHICH HITLER OFFERS," SAYS THE "POPOLO D'ITALIA."

"If Britain were ruled by men of the calibre of Henry VIII, Cromwell, Pitt, Disraeli, or Gladstone, she would accept the salvation offered by the Axis."

"Under the present regime the English people are unable to manifest their real feelings."

"The silence of Lloyd George is an indication of his disapproval." — British United Press.

FOUND LOVE AT A.R.P. TALKS

A.R.P. has brought about the marriage of Mr. Charles Ingman-Price, thirty-nine of Park Road, Twickenham, and Miss Joan Hounsfield, twenty-seven, of Richmond Hill Court, Richmond.

They met at A.R.P. lectures. When they had passed their examinations they were sent to the same A.R.P. warden's post, where Mr. Ingman-Price became post warden and Miss Hounsfield became deputy post warden.

SHOT HIS MAJOR, GAOLED

A Pioneer Corps corporal who was said to have nursed a grievance, gone on drinking till his "molehills became mountains," then shot and wounded his commanding officer, was sentenced at the Old Bailey to three years' penal servitude.

He was Corporal Walter Ernest Dewberry, aged thirty-two, who was found guilty of wounding Major Cyril Ernest Butler at Boreham Wood.

L.D.V. TRAPS 3 NAZI AIRMEN

THREE GERMAN AIRMEN were captured by a Local Defence volunteer when a Dornier bomber was shot down by three R.A.F. fighters after a battle over south-west England. The L.D.V.'s son, an R.A.M.C. private, attended to the wounds of two of the crew.

"There was nothing in it," Captain Philips told a reporter later.

"I was motoring when I saw the bomber shot down by our fighters. I hurriedly put on my L.D.V. armband and, flourishing my revolver, ran towards where the plane was lying."

"Two of the crew were wounded, and they had already been pulled clear by the third German airman."

"The men offered no resistance and I disarmed them."

"My son, who is a private in the R.A.M.C., was with me, and he attended to the injuries of the



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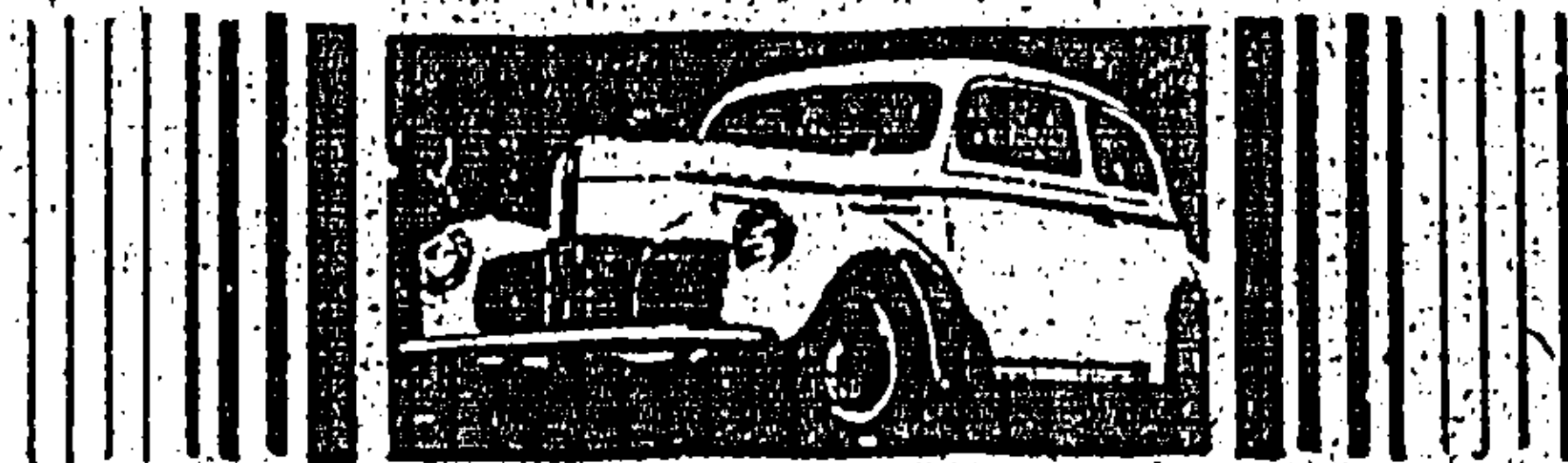
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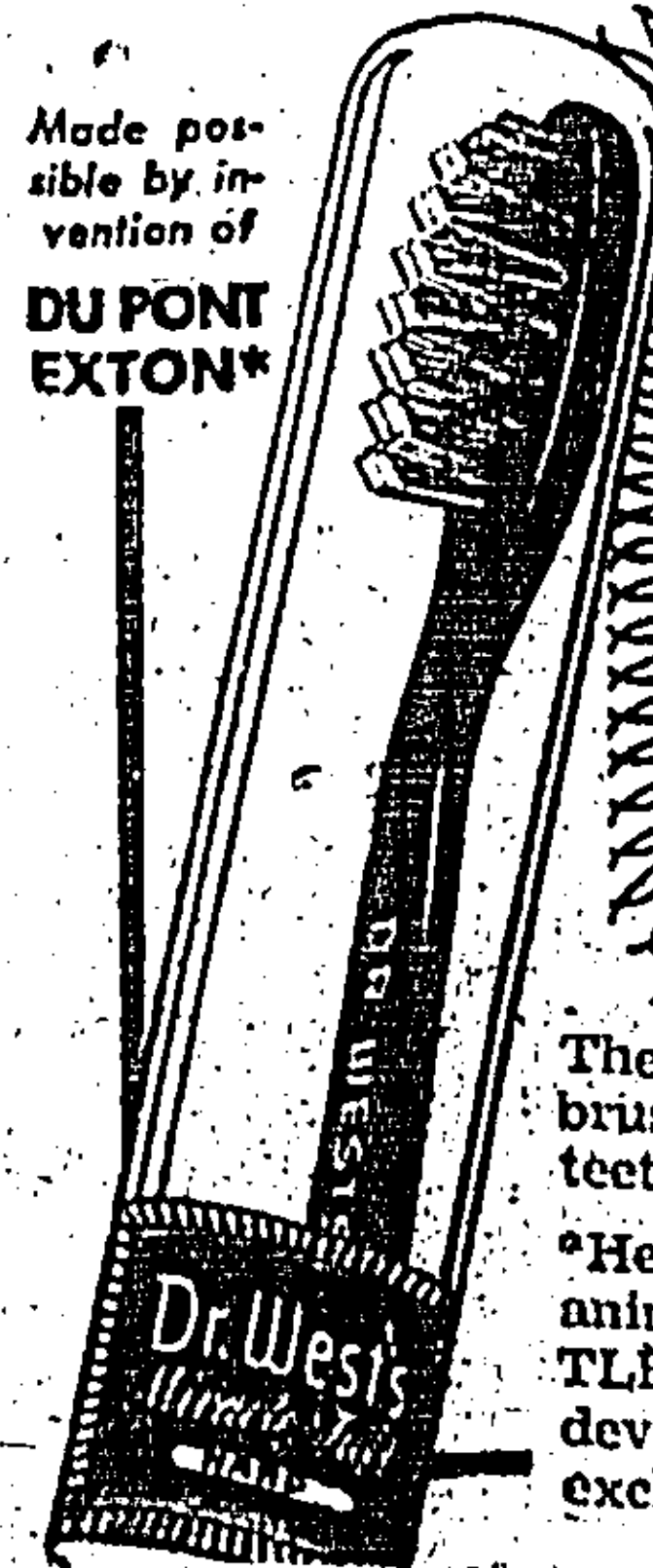
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Hong Kong, 30th September, 1940

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BRIDGE NOTES

(By The Four Aces)

A DESPERATION MEASURE

"What would you do if you were East?" asks R. C. C. of Worcester, Mass. "And if you would make the winning play, can you give a logical reason?"

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♠ A Q 8
♥ K Q J 7 3
♦ A Q 8 5 2
♣ —

♠ 5 2
♥ 8 4 2
♦ K J 9
♣ A K 10

♠ K 7 4
♥ 9 5
♦ 10 6 3
♣ J 8 7 5

♠ J 10 9 6 3
♥ A 10 6
♦ 7 4
♣ Q 6 3

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
1♣	2♣	Pass	2♣
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♦
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♠	Pass	Pass

"We are all agreed that the bidding was pretty poor, but it's the play that intrigues us. The only way South can make his contract, the opening club lead, is to trump in dummy, return to his hand with a high heart, and take the spade finesse.

"Now if East takes his King of spades, the contract is home. If, however, he lays off, there's no way of making the contract. What would you do if you were East?"

We would refuse to win the trick. South can quite evidently win four trumps in his own hand and one in the dummy, five hearts, and two diamonds. Taking the spade King cannot interfere with the winning of those tricks. Refusing the trick may give South trouble — either by steering him into a bad play or, as is the actual case, by leaving him no chance.

In other words, we cannot find a definite logical reason for holding off, but see no other likely chance to defeat the contract. It's a desperation measure rather than a reasoned play.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ Q 7 3
♥ A 6 4 2
♦ A 10 8 4
♣ K 2

The bidding:

Schenken	Jacoby	You	Burnstone
1♣	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♠	Pass	(?)	Pass

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

ANSWER: Bid two no-trump. You have strength in both red suits and solidifying cards in the black suits. Game is very likely. Score 100% for two no-trump, 40% for two hearts, 30% for two spades, 20% for two clubs.

QUESTION NO. 529

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

Schenken	Jacoby	You	Burnstone
1♣	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♠	Pass	(?)	Pass

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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PLIGHTS TROTH FOR DEAD SON

THE LAST REQUEST of Private Edward Potts, of the Worcestershire Regiment, to the woman who had been a mother to him since she adopted him as a six-week-old baby, was to ask her sanction and blessing to his engagement to an eighteen-year-old servant girl, Kathleen Canning.

But Potts was killed in action before he could get home to place the ring on the finger of the girl he hoped to marry.

Later in the little house in Waterloo Street, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire, grey-haired Mrs. Arnold, who adopted Potts when his mother died, placed the new engagement ring on Kathleen's finger.

Standing by the photograph of her soldier lover, Kathleen wept as the ring slipped on to her finger. Silently she vowed she would wear it all her life and would never marry.

"I bought the ring for Kathleen and we arranged this little ceremony when we heard that Edward had been killed," Mrs. Arnold told a reporter.

"I placed the ring on her finger just as my boy would have done. I asked her to wear it all her life. I am sure if she ever becomes engaged to another boy he would not object to her wearing it in memory of Edward."

"I adopted him when he was six weeks old. I have two sons of my own."

"It would have been the happiest day of my life to have seen him place the ring on her finger."

"I Shall Never Wed"

"But I did it for him. I kissed Kathleen after I had given her the ring just as my boy would have done."

At her employer's home in Kenilworth Road, Leamington Spa, Kathleen showed a reporter her ring and said: "I shall wear this all my life. No man could ever replace him, and so I shall never marry."

CAT HAD KITTENS IN BABY'S GAS HELMET

Baby had no use for its gas helmet in a Manchester home, so the cat took up residence there and founded a family in it.

This was stated when Mrs. Margaret Tyrer, of Melbourne Street, Hulme, was fined 10s. for failing to take reasonable care of the helmet.

She admitted that she had not cleaned the helmet, although she knew the cat had kittens in it.

Mrs. Tyrer, mother of seven children returned the helmet to the authorities and asked for a child's respirator in exchange.



Musical Marge was just learning to read music when the folks next door asked her if she'd mind reading to herself.

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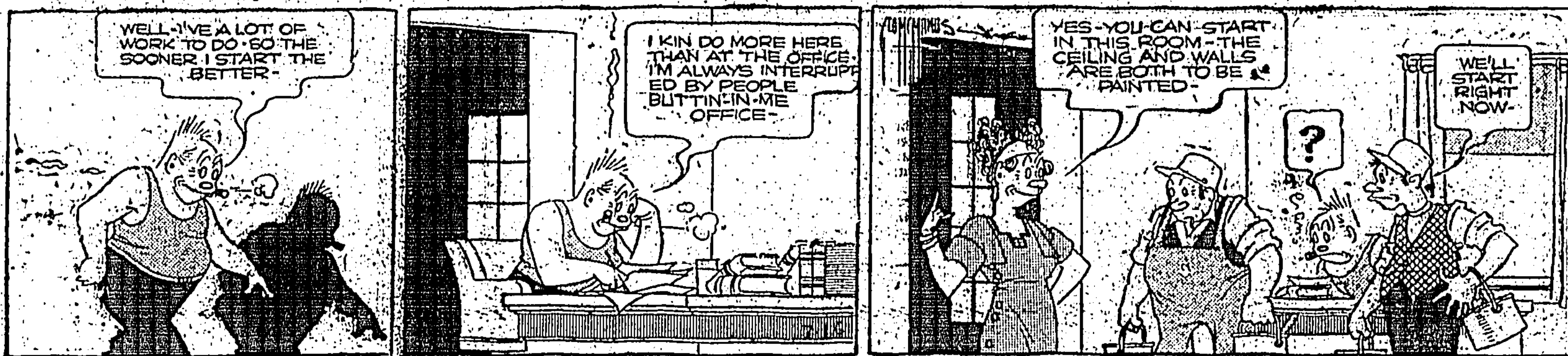
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Bringing Up Father

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A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Toe Tips From Tiptop Dancer

Mia Slavenska is on her feet nine hours a day — that is simply routine work for the premiere danseuse of the Ballet Russe. Rehearsals limbering routines, performances—all are taken "on her toes." So quite naturally she is more concerned about keeping her feet in the pink of condition than any other part of her body. But I must confess the petite darling looks meticulous and charming from head to toes!

Even on brief vacations there is no rest for her twinkling toes for muscles would soon stiffen and lose their flexibility if she did not go through limbering routines. "There is no excuse for let down feet," she bubbles, "the kind that give a droop to your carriage and whole personality. A few minutes each day devoted to the proper care — massage and exercising—counteracts muscle strain and develops flexibility!"

Foot Grooming

At the age of four Slavenska was preparing for her career. At five she learned routines to strengthen toes, arches and important muscles at the back of her leg and ankle. To-day at 23 she is slim, lithe, quick and definite of movement, and hopes nature will keep her young for she has little time for beauty beyond caring for her two precious feet!

She considers foot grooming an excellent "must" for all women for it focusses attention to feet and inspires one to keep them looking beautiful and being strong. Her carefully pedicured feet usually show a medium-deep shade which is a mantilla-pink.

Exercises

When your feet ache next time, try standing with toes apart and the weight of your body resting on the outside of the feet. This relieves the pressure that the ball of the foot usually bears. You may assume this position any time during the day.

For relieving strained muscles in the back of the leg, this talented young lady stands on the rung of a chair with the balls of the feet resting on the rung. She then springs up and down, without taking her feet off the rung and pressing her toes and heels downward at the same time. Difficult at first, but you will catch on to it!

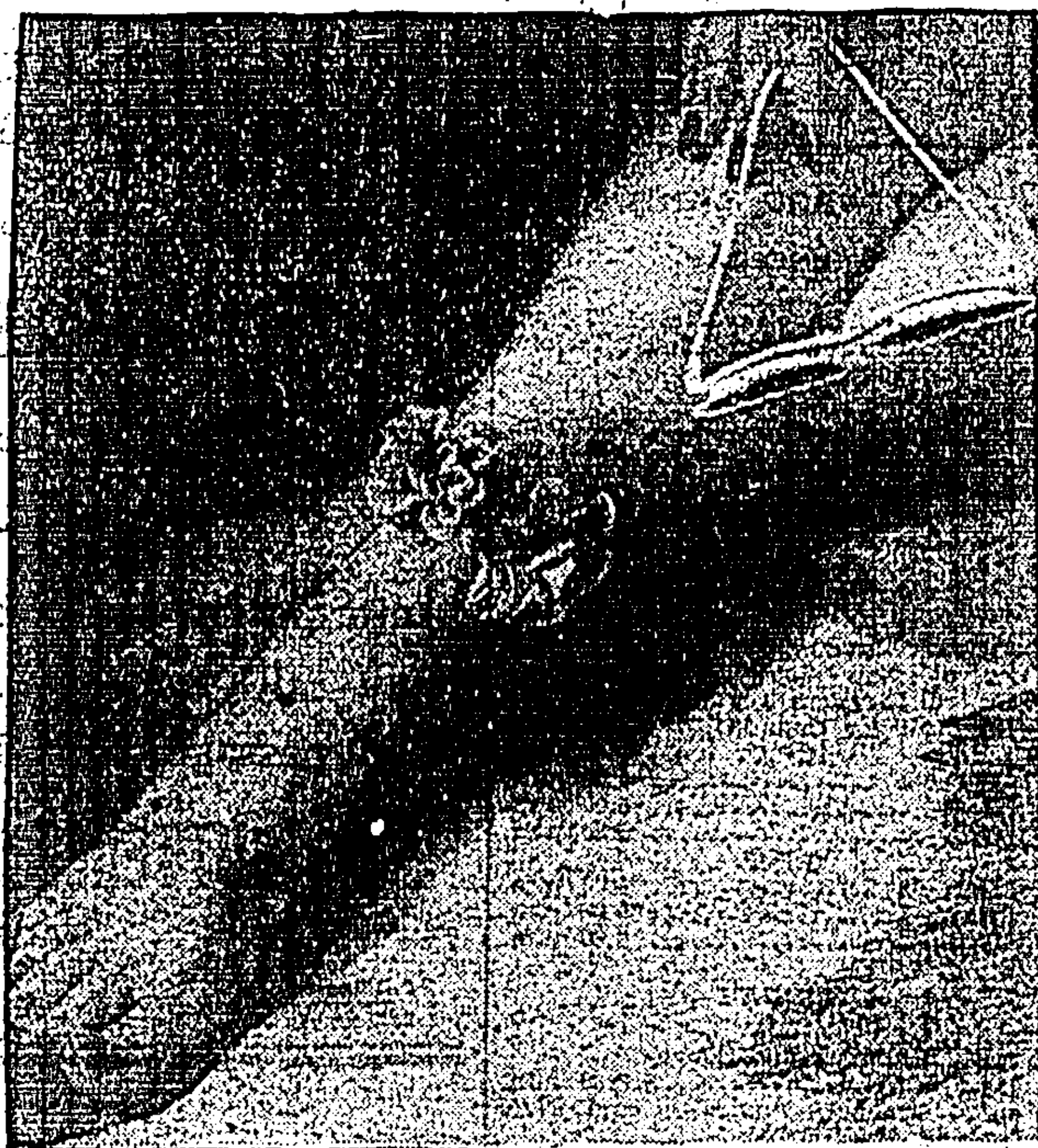
Another Relaxing Exercise

To increase flexibility of the foot and leg muscles (which slims the leg at the same time) do this: Stand with weight on left foot, point right toe on floor; heel high. Now bring right heel down to floor and rise on left toe. Do this saw-saw fashion without taking either foot off floor.

Daily Massage

Slavenska massages her feet every single day with a rich hand cream after soaking them in a hot epsom salts foot bath. The foot is wiped after the massage with a cloth dampened with a refreshing cologne. In the morning they are brushed briskly with soap and water.

"Ballet routine is excellent for strengthening weakened arches," she says. "Old and young should do them at least once a week."



Your feet can be as pretty as you make them! A dancer's beauty schedule allots more time to keeping feet in fettle than to any other beauty routine. Result: feet that work well, look lovely. The final touch of frivolity is a flower anklet in mantilla pink to match toe tip colour.

"Still Stubborn, You Dog!"

No more moving book has come out of the incidence of war than that written by Irmgard Litten, "A Mother Fights Hitler" (Allen & Unwin, 7s. 6d.). It is a factual account of her struggle with the Gestapo to get her son, a lawyer and an Aryan, out of one concentration camp after another. The Archbishop of York, in a foreword, describes the book as "a moving human record." Lord Allen, and others in this country tried to have Hans Litten set free. It was unavailing. After a period of intense suffering he was reported to have hanged himself in the Dachau concentration camp.

The book contains accounts by reliable eye-witnesses of the hideous forms of punishment administered by the Nazis to the unhappy prisoners. Here is one:

A wooden stool and four sticks were brought and placed in the middle of the courtyard. The man tried to explain that he had already been punished. No one listened to him. Two SS men took up their stand one either side of the stool.

Commandant Schmidt gave the order: "Begin!" At first the men brandished their sticks a few times, so that one heard them whistling through the air. Then they raised them high above their heads. Each leaned back as far as he could, and swung his stick back in readiness, and only then came the first swishing blow, immediately followed by the second. The man did not utter a sound.

Again the two fellows swung back their sticks, and again two blows came swishing down on the victim. The tortured man clenched his teeth. The camp commandant roared: "The fellow isn't feeling anything!"

A third time the two blows fell on him. Still the prisoner was silent. The commandant began to rave. "Still stubborn, are you, you dog! Two others have a try!" The two "reserve strikers" came forward. Each whirled his stick through the air, then both struck the prisoner, swinging the stick far back before the blow.

Eight blows—ten—twelve. The prisoner bore his punishment like a hero. Not a sound escaped between his teeth. Now Camp-leader Fettle and Company-leader Braunig seized a stick apiece, and struck the last three blows. One of them struck one blow, the other two, but they were both crimson in the face from the effort! The prisoner bore everything, to the last blow, without a sound. The commandant and the SS leaders were foaming with rage. They felt that they were scorned by the man, that their honour was insulted. But—alas!—the punishment had been awarded.

The victim was ordered to stand up. With difficulty he lifted himself to his feet. He looked like a dying man. Then he had to pick up the stool and the sticks, and the gaolers of the cellars took him away to serve his sixteen days solitary confinement.

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FRIDAY

Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 27th September.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 23rd August).

SATURDAY

U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Seattle date, 28th August).

FOR DATE & TIME

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Sandakan 1.00 p.m.
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Reg. 5.00 p.m.
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G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Par. (3/10) 5.00 p.m.
Reg. (4/10) 8.45 a.m.
Ord. (4/10) 9.30 a.m.

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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Hawaiian Selections.
12.50 p.m.—Songs by Dorothy Lamour.
1.03 p.m.—Compositions of Weber.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press.
Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Maurice Winnick's Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6.00 p.m.—Compositions of Dvorak.
"From the Old and the New World"
—Fantasia (arr. Leopold).
Dol Dauber and his Salon Orchestra.
Humoresque: The Comedy Harmonists.
Symphony No. 4 in G Major Op. 88
—Czech Philharmonic Orchestra
conducted by Victor Tallech.
Indian Lament: Maurice Martchal (Cello).
6.57 p.m.—Latest Variety.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.03 p.m.—A Programme of New Dance Music.
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.
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BROTHERS SAVE FAMILY

Two factory workers, Frederick Tomkinson and his brother Stanley, saved the lives of their mother, father, four sisters and eleven-year-old brother, trapped in their blazing home at Waldron's Moor Manor, King's Heath, Birmingham.

All the family were sleeping when Frederick awoke to find smoke pouring into his bedroom.

"I awakened my brother Stanley," he said, "and we knotted four blankets together and lowered to the ground our eleven-year-old brother who sleeps in our room."

"By this time mother, father and our sisters were at the two other bedroom windows. We coiled the blanket rope and threw it into mother's room. Father fixed it and he and she got down. More blankets were knotted, and we rushed round to our sisters' room in the front of the house. They caught the blankets we threw up to them and all four made a safe descent."

REPLACEMENT OF NISHIHARA

It was officially announced in Tokyo yesterday that Major-General Sumita, director of the army heavy artillery school and formerly military attaché at Paris, has been appointed chairman of the Japanese "Inspectorate" in French Indo-China, replacing Major-General Nishihara.—Reuter.

WED DAUGHTER OF A BARONET

A bluejacket has married the daughter of a baronet.

Mr. Michael Hicks-Beach, who is twenty-one, is a signalman of the Dover Patrol, and he was married at Dover Register Office in his bluejacket's uniform to Miss Katharine Hartwell, aged twenty-two, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Brodrick Hartwell, Bart., and Lady Hartwell, of Seymour Place, London, W.

Mr. Hicks-Beach was an undergraduate at Pembroke College, Cambridge, last October when he joined the Navy.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hicks-Beach, of Ellington House, Maidenhead, Berks. Commander C. Evan-Thomas, D.S.C., R.N., was best man.

MONTREAL INVITES OUR STUDENTS

British refugee students, especially women, will be able to go to McGill University, Montreal, under a scheme Dr. F. Cyril James, the principal, is negotiating with British university officials.

Dr. James said McGill University had offered London, Oxford and Manchester Universities to do all it could to provide facilities for students from Great Britain whose studies have been threatened by the war with curtailment.

Plans were still in a preliminary stage and details could not be made public, said Dr. James.

One of the problems is the raising of funds for the students' maintenance, because of restrictions against taking money out of Britain.—Associated Press.

BOSSES AND MEN TOLD: SACRIFICE FOR VICTORY

—This is a people's war. Sacrifice by both master and man are called for in two announcements.

First, is a regulation which bans the worker's right to strike—he must carry on with the job while the dispute is settled. Secondly, employers must continue to offer recognised wages and conditions, and in a letter from the Cabinet they were told—

"We can no longer think of personal profits or the future of a particular firm or industry. We must think of the nation's interest alone."

A National Arbitration Tribunal has been set up by the Minister of Labour to settle all trade disputes not settled in the ordinary way.

Strikes, and lockouts, can be made illegal by the Minister. A group of workers will no longer be able to stop work unofficially without reporting the dispute to the Minister.

Affects All Workers

Employers and men alike will be urged, when they want concessions, to seek them through the ordinary negotiating machinery. Failing that, they can take it to the tribunal.

But work must go on and the tribunal can back-date its award.

These regulations apply to all workers and employers.

The tribunal does not operate until the dispute is reported to the Minister. He can refer it to the normal negotiating machinery.

Failing reasonably quiet settlement there it goes to the tribunal, which must try to settle the dispute inside a fortnight.

After the war the tribunal will continue in being to settle any quibble over the full restoration of trade practices which are sacrificed.

Mr. Justice Simonds will be chairman of the Commission. There will be two other permanent members. The remaining two will be representatives of workers and employers.

Call To Employers

Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Minister without portfolio, in a broadcast revealed that the Cabinet was sending an appeal to all the 9,000 firms busy on war work.

They will call upon managements to make the maximum use of skilled workers by reorganising where necessary to train and make room for more and more unskilled men and women.

"Instead of our having more workers than jobs, as was the case for so long, we have reached the point when in many types of skilled work we have more jobs than workers ready to fill them. So we must do three things," said Mr. Greenwood.

"First, great numbers of men and women must be trained for the skilled, and semi-skilled operations they have to undertake.

Don't Waste Labour

"Secondly, we have to make sure that no worker who is skilled is allowed to waste his skill on work of a lower grade than the highest he can do.

"Third, we have to carry out the process called training up, that is, arranging for unskilled or semi-skilled workers to be moved up to more highly skilled work for which, with some effort and some help, they can quickly fit themselves.

"This is the latest, but not the last, of the measures which the country is so swiftly taking on the road to victory."

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Four New Records Established In Swimming Championships Reflections On The Three-Day V.R.C. Festival

Ng Nin Over-Trained? Manila Interport Trials On Thursday

By "Natator"

BREAKING ALL attendance records, the three-day Annual Swimming Championships programme was carried to a successful conclusion on Saturday evening, every nook and corner of V.R.C. being jammed long before the commencement. The gates had to be closed early on the final night as even standing room was not available.

The Championships this year, which featured the lowering of four individual records, were marked by a much larger number of Chinese successes than in former years, being not confined only to one or two events, but to almost all the events.

This annual classic also settled once and for all the question of individual superiority among the Swimmers for the year, and there is no doubt that Chan Chun-nam is the most outstanding swimmer this year over the longer distances, accounting for three titles, and breaking two records, while Ng Nin and David Hutchinson were both brilliant in the sprints, the former winning the 50 yards dash, in 24-4/5 secs, equalling the record, and the latter setting up a new mark for the 100 yards free-style by winning in 56-1/5 secs.

Hutchinson swam a really wonderful race to win the 100 yards, with a magnificent sprint in the last length to overtake Ng Nin, who had gained a considerable lead after the third turn.

Ng Nin's failure to return a better time than 58 secs is unacceptable, especially after his fine swim in the 50 yards, when he drew away in the last few yards to win. The night previous he was clocked at 62-3/5 secs for 100 metres at South China, which is easily under 50 secs when passing the 100 yard mark.

Over-Trained

His failure can only be attributed to an over-trained physical condition.

In the breast-stroke Ng Nin proved conclusively that the "butterfly stroke," if developed to a sufficient degree, was definitely much faster than the orthodox breast-stroke.

Swimming 100 yards with his stroke, he was able to lower the existing record in 70 secs. flat.

The old record of 71-2/5 secs. was established by Enrique Chan last year with the older form and I feel sure that even if had he competed he would have been unable to defend his title successfully. Much surprise was caused by the inability of Fong Chung-U to be placed, and I have since learnt from his coach that he had been practicing the "butterfly stroke" for a fortnight before the Championships, and cramped his ordinary style. For three lengths he was able to keep pace with Ng's butterfly, but this was too much for him. Ho Pun-kun, on the other hand, showed better judgment and swam his own race, and was placed third, 1/5 secs. after Luigi Remedios, another butterfly stroke exponent.

In spite of the fact that 70 seconds was Rumjahn's time for the 100 yards back-stroke, I am firmly convinced that he could have come much nearer to the record of 68-4/5 secs. had he gone all out from the beginning.

Criticising his attempt to swim under 71 secs., about a month ago, I pointed out that his first length was swum too easily, and that an improvement in that length would give him a better result. His time, then, for the first length was 34 secs.

At the Championships he covered the first length in just about 33 secs. with the consequent improvement of over a second in final time.

With his amazing stamina I have often wondered why he

does not swim all out from the start.

The day that Rumjahn can do 32 for the first length will see him lower the mark.

Interport Trials On Thursday

As announced earlier, the selection of representatives for the P. I. Interport will be probably made from the results of the Championships, whilst for the men's 220 yards back-stroke and 220 yards breast-stroke, and the ladies' 50 yards back-stroke and 50 yards breast-stroke, trials will be held at the V.R.C. on Thursday.

In this connection, those interested are reminded that entries will close to-day at 5.30 p.m.

Club secretaries are also advised that a meeting will be held at the V.R.C. to-day at 5.30, when preparations for the coming Interport will be discussed. Clubs interested are requested to send representatives to this meeting.

South China A.A. Championships

South China's 15th Annual Championships was featured by the lowering of one club record in the ladies' events, which were all closely contested. The events for men were rather dull affairs, and with the possible exception of Ho Pun Kun's times of 1 min. 25-3/5 secs. and 3 mins. 10-2/5 secs. for the 100 and 200 metres breast-stroke, times returned by the other competitors were rather poor. Visitors found time spent, worth while, however, as the open relay races provided the excitement for the evening.

The 400 metres free-style relay open to Chinese teams in the Colony, was narrowly won by the Eastern team over the Chung Shing (Kew (Eastern), Chung Shui-che (Chung Shing), Tsang Cheung-ming (Lai Tsun), Kwok Chan-hang (Eastern "B") and Leung Pui-chuen (South China) started together on their 100 metres lap, but after three-quarters of the distance, Kew broke away from the field to give Eastern the lead, which was maintained by Chu Fui-man swimming against Fung Kwal-sang (Chung Shing).

Starting with a fifteen metres handicap, Ng Tsun-man, of Chung Shing, went in third, and managed to cut down the lead from Lee Fook-ke, but 100 metres still separated them when Lee finished. The versatile Ng Nin, made a most amazing effort to pick up on Shik Kam-pui, swimming last, and covered the distance in 62-3/5 secs., cutting down the margin of defeat to only one metre.

Shik Kam-pui, nearly lost the race for Eastern as he was obviously panicky after the turn when he saw that Ng was gradually creeping up on him, and continually fouled the lanes. The Ladies' 400 metres free-style relay, was also interesting, in that South China fielded three breast-stroke swimmers, who proved that for a longer distance they were not very much handicapped in not being able to swim with a crawl stroke. Lai Tsun was the only other team to enter.

Miss Tsang Fung-kwan started for Lai Tsun, and obtained a lead of almost 15 metres over Miss Ho-Wai-man. Swimming with smooth even strokes, Miss Au Mei-chuen out-down the lead metre by metre and not only overtook Miss Cheng Oi-lin of Lai Tsun, who was completely exhausted towards the end of her lap. From then on, the race was definitely South China's, and in spite of Miss Ka Mei-lin's brilliant effort, in the end, Miss Lee Po-luen

coasted in to victory for the team. It is a long time since South China has won a ladies' relay.

Miss Lee Po-luen Batters Her Own Record

In view of the lack of opposition in the ladies' sprint events, Miss Lee Cheuk-wa accounted for both the 50 metres free-style and the 100 metres back-stroke, whilst the South China trio of breast-stroke swimmers, namely the Misses Lee Po-luen, Ho Wai-man and Au Mei-chuen dominated the breast-stroke events, with Miss Lee Po-luen winning all of them.

All of these three swimmers were finalists in the recent Colony Championships.

Still fresh from her success at the Championships, Miss Lee Po-luen swam the 100 metres breast-stroke the same evening and shattered the existing club record established by her last year, by lowering it from 1 min. 41-2/5 secs. to 1 min. 37-2/5 secs.

Macao Win Water-Polo

In a fitting conclusion to Championships, Macao Chinese Water-Polo Club defeated South China by the odd goal in five before a packed gallery.

Playing the first of their five-game schedule with the local Chinese clubs, the visiting team showed plenty of sparkle in their play, and it was mainly through determination that they obtained their victory in the last minute of play.

Included in their line-up are Choy Chak-lau and Ng Kai-hung, well-known in Chinese water-polo circles, and between them they have coached the team to its present standard of high efficiency.

It must be borne in mind that they are severely handicapped in their training, as they are the only water-polo team in Macao, and their work is really an achievement.

Breaking away from Chan Yung-kong on a goal throw, Harold Wingler scored with a long shot, to open the score in favour of the home team, but their advantage was soon lost when Choy Chak-lau equalised with a strong forehead shot. Soon before the closing of the first half Lionel Lowe put one past the goalie to give South China the lead again. In the second half, in a mix-up in front of South China goal, Choy scored the equaliser for Macao. From then onwards both teams were fighting desperately to break the tie, and only in the last minute of play Tong scored with a magnificent back-hand, which brought the cheering spectators to their feet.

MACAO—Au Yeung-keung, Poon Wai-lun, Leung Wing-kwan, Ng Kai-hung, Chan Yung-kong, Choy Chak-lau (2), Kwan Kin-fai, 1st half, Tong Po-man, 2nd half (1).

SOUTH CHINA—Kwok Kai-chiu, Lee Ke-yeung, H. Wingler (1), Ho Yuk-kwan, Lionel Lowe (1), Henry So, Yu King-chuen.

GREAT TENNIS RECORD OF THE SAPPERS

By "Adrem"

ROYAL ENGINEERS had a remarkably successful season in the Army Tennis League, going through both divisions without the loss of a single match.

In "A" Division they played 11 matches, won 65 sets and dropped only 16. They were represented by only four pairs, most successful being Major Grose and Capt. Wilkinson, who won 24 and lost only three sets. Other pairs were S/Sgt. Megson and S/Sgt. Denyer (won 20 and lost 4); S/Sgt. Mitchell and Spr. Elsiey (won 19, lost 8) and S/Sgt. Megson and S/Sgt. Quinnell (won 2, lost 1).

In "B" Division, Sappers fared even better and won no fewer than five of their nine matches by maximum margins. Mainstay of the side were Q.M.S. Rivett and S/Sgt. Quinnell, who had a hundred per cent record in 27 sets, while Capt. Freeman and Capt. Bird won 16 out of 19 sets and S/Sgt. Spencer and L/Cpl. Shaw 28 out of 27.

Following are the final League tables:—

"A" DIVISION				
	P.	W.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Royal Engineers	11	11	0	65 22
R.A.O.C.	11	10	1	64 20
5th R.A.	11	9	2	60 40
R.A.M.C.	11	8	3	61 25
Royal Scots	11	7	4	44 14
R.A.P.C.	11	5	6	40 10
11th Hvy. Regt. R.A.	11	4	7	44 55
12th Hvy. Regt. R.A.	11	3	8	30 6
R.A.S.C.	11	3	8	28 6
Signals	11	3	8	25 6
Seaforth Highlanders	10	2	8	21 3
Middlesex	10	0	10	20 0

BASEBALL BY EAR; AMAZING INVENTION BY AN AMERICAN

A MODIFIED FORM of blind baseball, invented by a St. Paul man, may be introduced to blind organisations throughout the United States.

In the game's first test the St. Paul United Blind Workers team drubbed United Blind Workers of Minneapolis, 7 to 0, in a tightly-fielded contest.

MISS HO WAI-KING EQUALS NATIONAL RECORD

At Chinese Bathing Club Swimming championships last night, Miss Ho Wai-king, who figured so prominently at the Colony aquatics meet, equalled the Chinese National record set up by Miss Yeung Sau-king in 1935 when she covered the 50 metres free-style event in 36 seconds.

The closest race of the evening was witnessed in the men's 50 metres free-style when Robert Chan just managed to win by a split second from Chan King-ping.

RESULTS

Men's 50 metres free-style:—1. Robert Chan; 2. Chan King-ping; 3. Wong Yat-hung. Time: 36 2/5 secs.

Ladies' 50 metres free-style:—1. Ho Wai-king; 2. Leung Chit. Time: 36 secs. (National record).

Small girls' 50 metres free-style:—1. Hor Wai-tak; 2. Hor Wai-han; 3. Wong Hui-yue.

Men's 200 metres breast-stroke:—1. Fong Chong-yu; 2. Chan Man-poh; 3. Hui Kwun-lun.

Ladies' 200 metres breast-stroke:—1. Cheung Pui-chant; 2. Leung Chit.

Men's 50 metres free-style (Club servants):—1. Chan Koon-yin; 2. Fok Pak-yue and Law Siew-lun (dead heat).

Men's 400 metres free-style:—1. Robert Chan; 2. Wong Yat-hung; 3. Wan Lai-man. Time: 6 mins. 21 2/5 secs.

Chris Blankenburg, St. Paul hurler, allowed only seven scattered hits.

Both teams played errorless ball. All players were blind. The umpires, as though proving a rule, were not.

Blind pitchers actually pitch; blind batters swing regulation bats and run bases; fielders wear gloves and make actual stops.

Played By Ear

Secret of the game is this: It is played "by ear."

In blind man's baseball, the "ball" is a steel ring, four inches in diameter, strung on a cable 100 feet long.

In the pitcher's box, 35 feet from the plate, the hurler "pitches" the ring, sending it shooting down the cable toward the batter. Noise of the ring on the cable times the batter's swing. When the swing is properly timed, the bat connects and the ring whizzes back down the cable.

The batter grabs a leather strap strung on another cable, which guides him around the bases, and attempts to beat out the throw.

Catches By Sounds

In the field, basemen must listen for the ping of the ring as it goes by them and make their catches accordingly. Then comes the throw-in. If the ring is returned to the catcher before the runner reaches his base, he is out.

When a batter whacks the ring the length of the cable, it is a home run. If he fails to hit it as far as the pitcher, it is counted as foul.

No fielder may "block" the cable but must make his stab for the ring as it passes. In view of this, fielding was remarkable.



K.I.T.C. TENNIS RESULTS

The tennis competitions of the Kowloon Indian Tennis Club ended yesterday and the following were the results:—

SINGLES (FINAL)
S. A. Hussain beat G. Singh, 6-1, 6-6, 7-5.

DOUBLES (FINAL)
M. O. Hoosen and M. Ramzan beat S. A. Hussain and S. R. Saller, 6-2, 7-5, 4-0, 6-1.

SINGLES HANDICAP (FINAL)
M. Ramzan (—15) beat S. R. Saller (—15), 6-4, 6-2.

DOUBLES HANDICAP (FINAL)
S. A. Hussain and G. M. Khan (—40) beat A. Rahim and A. R. Azan (—15), 7-5, 6-6, 6-0.

ARMY TENNIS

Following were the results of Fourth Round matches in the Army Tennis Open Singles tournament played at Sookunpoo yesterday.

S/Sgt. Adlam (R.A.P.C.) beat S/Sgt. Mitchell (R.E.) 6-4, 4-0, 6-3.

S/Sgt. Duffield (R.A.O.C.) beat Sgt. Webb (R.A.M.C.) 6-1, 6-4.

A POSITION OF
POWER

BY BEST BALL

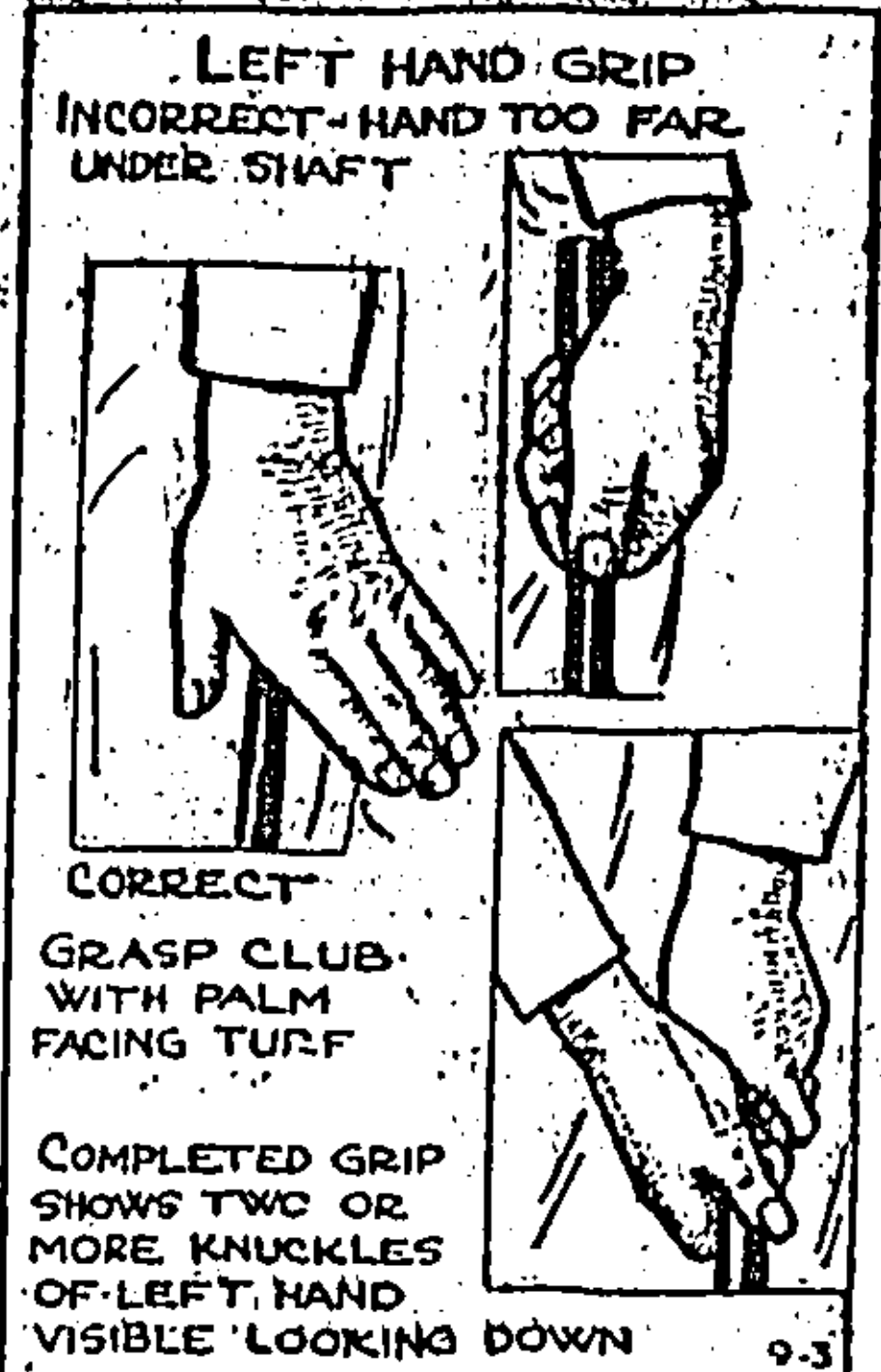
Grasping the shaft of the club with the left hand palm down, places this member in the best possible position for both mobility and usefulness in the stroke. There is more power in such a grip than one placed too far under the shaft and also more dependability. Let the golfer try swinging and pushing back with his hand in the palm down position and he will soon realise that it not only offers more control but that its natural arc follows the rotating movement of the body. Furthermore the path of this hand is nearer the body than is the case where the back of the hand is largely on the side of the shaft not over.

Two or more knuckles of the left hand should be visible to the player as he looks down upon the grip. Placed in this fashion it can guide the club-head in the best possible manner and follow through straight along the intended line of flight. The heel of the right hand should fit snugly against the thumb of the left hand.

Next Article:—A Firm Left Side.

M. N. Rakusen beat J. S. Landolt 22-10.

GRAPHIC GOLF

OPEN SINGLES
RESULTS

Following were the results of third round games in the Open Singles Bowls championship played yesterday:

At Craigengower
M. R. Abbas beat A. Morton 21-3 on the 12th head.
At K.F.C.
J. McCutcheon beat A. M. Omar 21-10.
C. G. Silya beat W. L. Walker 21-14.

Golf ABC To Help
The Average PlayerBy
Lawson Little

AAA.—ADDRESS THE ball with your weight equally divided on both feet, and your balance back toward the heels. It is wise to try to stand as comfortably and naturally as possible so that your mind will not be uneasy as you start your backswing. If you are uncomfortable in the address position, you will find it difficult to concentrate upon the actual making of the stroke.

BBB.—Begin your back swing slowly and smoothly. A hurried start away from the ball nearly always causes a short, jerky swing, that lacks both power and control.

CCC.—Control the club with the left hand and arm—they are the masters and guides of the club. In order to ensure control of the club, make certain that the grip with the left hand remains firm throughout the backward and forward swing.

DDD.—Don't take your divots before the clubhead contacts the ball. In laying the iron shots remember that the club must contact the ball first, then the ground—thus taking the divot after the ball has been struck. The ball must be hit on the downswing.

EEE.—Explosion shots from sand traps can save many strokes if the player follows several simple rules.

The feet should be fixed firmly in the sand. The ball should be played well forward off the left foot and the stance slightly opened. Usually the face of the club is layed open. The swing is fairly upright and should come down across the ball from the outside in. It is fatal to loosen your grip with the left hand or fail to follow-through. Contact the sand several inches behind the ball.

FFF.—Freedom of wrist action depends upon your using the proper grip.

GGG.—Gripping the club correctly is called opening the door to a good golf swing. I cannot over-emphasise the importance of a good grip, so consult your local professional for a check-up.

HHH.—Hit the ball with your hands, particularly the right

hand, but reserve the hit with the hands until you are in the hitting position near the ball. Remember that the wrists complete the backswing by cocking, and they complete the downswing (before the ball is hit) by uncocking just before contact with the ball. Do not start the club down by uncocking the wrists at the top of the backswing.

III.—Initiate the swing in the centre of the body; the hips to the right, and let the shoulders, arms, hands, and club move to the right, as a result of the turning of the body.

JJJ.—Jerky shots are usually caused by starting the backswing too quickly. Start the club back as in "I". This makes for the harmonious movement of all parts of the body.

KKK.—"Like as we lie" is a golfing term meaning that all players have played the same number of strokes.

H.K.V.D.C. LAWN
BOWLS MEETING

Volunteer Unit Commanders are reminded that a meeting will be held at Volunteer Headquarters this evening to discuss the possibility of holding an Inter-Unit lawn bowls competition. The meeting will be held in the Corps lecture room, starting at 5.30 p.m.

VOLUNTEER CRICKET

NO LEAGUE
JUST YET

In the absence of Lt.-Col. E. J. R. Mitchell, who is ill, Major H. Owen Hughes presided at the Volunteer Cricket meeting at Headquarters yesterday evening.

Major Owen Hughes said that the purpose of the meeting was to see what form Volunteer cricket should take this year.

It was suggested that Volunteer Cricket be run as last year with friendly games on Sundays, preferably between Units of the Corps. There were six units which had more or less agreed to field teams and the question of grounds for a competition was discussed.

Pending enquiries being made as to the possibility of grounds being secured, the meeting was adjourned, it being decided that in no case would any competition be formed until the end of the year.

The Inter-Unit teams so far are 3rd M.G. Coy., 3rd Battery, Field Ambulance, 5th and 6th (Portuguese) Coys., No. 1 Coy. and 1st Battery.

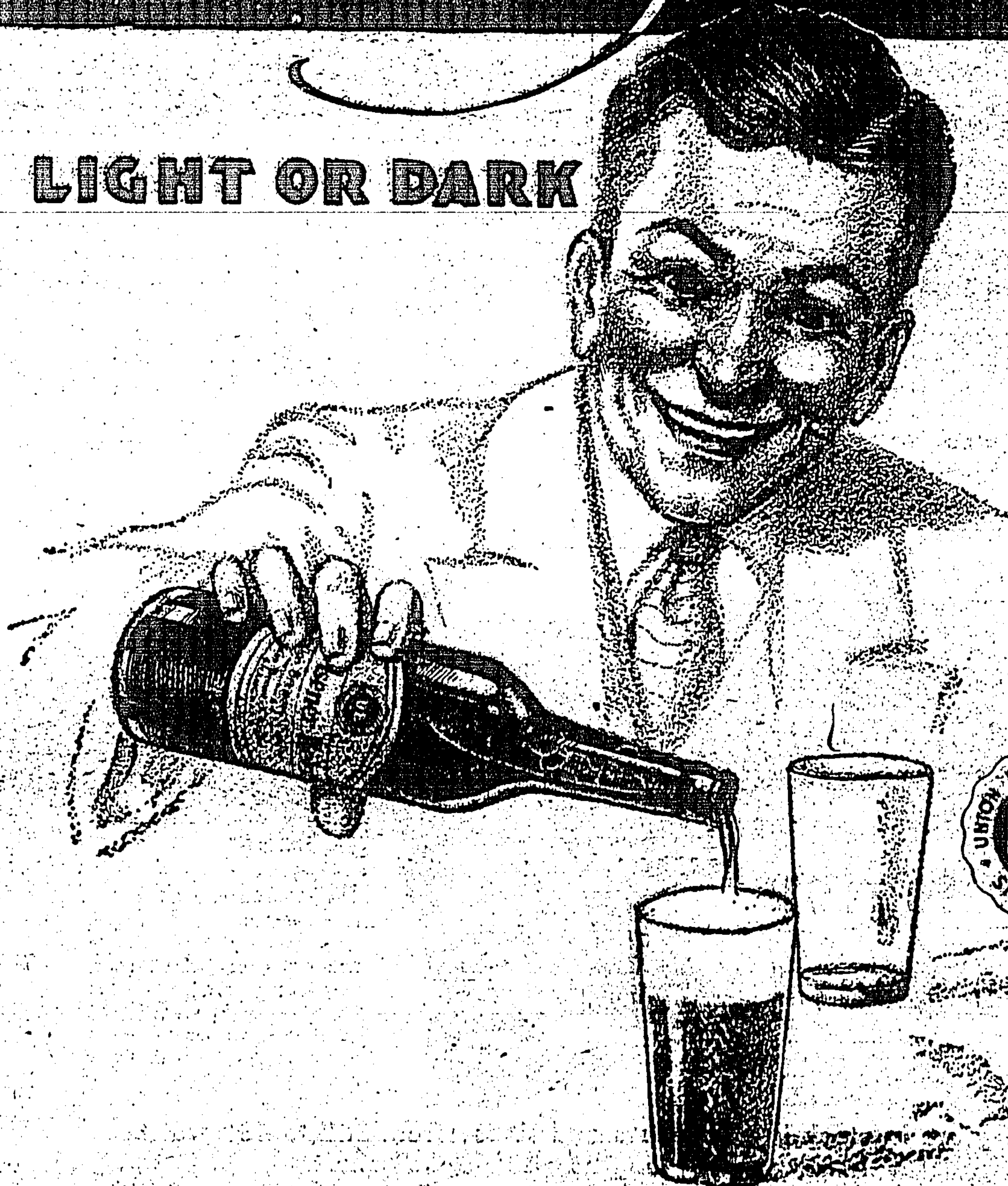
TO-DAY'S BOWLS

Following is the programme for to-day's Third Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Singles Championship.

At Howdon F.C.
F. J. M. Silva v H. White
R. Morrison v
A. E. Carey v A. M. Holland
At Craigengower
H. E. Strange v F. J. Jones
L. J. Silva v
A. L. Eastman v H. A. Alves
At Palace F.C.
W. R. Lillyer v W. J. Howard
At Howdon F.C.
R. Bass v S. Edgshall
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Grave Blow To The Luftwaffe

Nazi Plan To Invade Britain Miscarries Badly 5,000 Men Lost In Two Months

GERMANY'S LOSS of over 2,000 'planes and 5,000 men in August and September is a very grave blow to her first-line air strength, says Reuter's air correspondent; this belief was expressed in London yesterday by a high R.A.F. officer.

It is too early yet to gauge the full effect of the first major rebuff the Luftwaffe has suffered since it crushed Poland. On the other hand that rebuff serves to show clearly that the Nazi plan to invade Britain has miscarried badly up to the moment.

The R.A.F. does not doubt that invasion is behind the plan of campaign of the German High Command on both sides of the Channel.

Over Britain, the Luftwaffe was first used to smash R.A.F. fighter opposition by attacks chiefly on aerodromes.

This accomplished, as the German High Command evidently thought, the attack on London began on September 7.

Possibly the Nazi leaders thought sufficient disorganisation had been caused by last Friday to permit the next of their pre-invasion campaign to be attempted.

Major Defeat

They tested it with another mass daylight attack and for the third time in two months their large formations suffered a major defeat.

The German High Command must now be faced with a problem which has become serious as the months pass, namely how is air superiority not only in numbers but ability to be achieved?

Unless Germany can find an answer, in the R.A.F. view, she cannot successfully invade Britain, nor can she do any real lasting damage to the country's war potential areas most of which our fighters, guns and balloons are so successfully protecting.

A Week's Figures

Meanwhile it was stated in London yesterday that during the week ended midnight on Septem-

ber 28 German aircraft losses were 222 machines in battles over Britain, apart from machines damaged and believed destroyed, whose loss could not be definitely confirmed by the careful check-up employed by the Air Ministry.

The R.A.F. lost 69 'planes during the same period but 37 pilots were saved.

It is estimated that German pilot losses from aircraft whose loss is confirmed alone are, on the basis of the above figures, approximately 555. — Reuter.

GERMAN WRECK FOR EXHIBIT

A GERMAN 'PLANE IS NOW ON ITS WAY TO INDIA FOR EXHIBITION.

It has been bought by the organisers of a War Planes Fund, who paid £1,000 for the plane and will also pay freight charges.

They have promised to send all proceeds from the exhibition of the plane to buy more aircraft for the R.A.F.

The sum of £5,000 has been received from the Mysore War Relief Fund for the purchase of planes and a further £1,000 for the relief of air raid victims in London.

The United Provinces war fund has sent nearly £150,000 to provide two squadrons of Spitfires. — Reuter.

COLOSSAL WAR COST FIGURES

In the first six months of the current financial year Britain's total ordinary expenditure reached the colossal figure of £1,610,135,000, compared with only £562,000,000 in the same period last year.

Ordinary revenue in the past six months is £452,000,000, states the Treasury return for the first half of the year.

Estimated total ordinary expenditure for the full financial year which ends on March 31 next is £3,466,790,000 and estimated total ordinary revenue £1,360,000,000.

Figures now issued show that revenue coming into the Exchequer is remarkably satisfactory. — Reuter.

BIG NAZI OIL PLANT DEVASTATED

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docks at Flushing in the early hours of yesterday morning.

In an attack on long-range gun positions at Cap Gris Nez salvoes of high explosive bombs were seen to explode close to the gun emplacements. — Reuter.

Wide Area

Sunday night's attacks on rail communication centres in Germany were spread over a wide area. Railways at Ehrang, Mannheim, Speer and Coblenz were bombed and fires were started in goods junctions in Cologne, Osnabruck and Hamm where sticks of heavy calibre bombs fell along one side of the goods yard causing two separate fires.

An oil plant at Hanover was attacked shortly before 11 p.m. A large fire in the target area was still burning 20 minutes after the last aircraft had left the outskirts of the city.

Explosions which continued for some time marked the attack on a factory near Hanover.

At Kamen, near Dortmund, another factory was set on fire.

Fokker Factory

Raiders operating over Holland attacked the great Fokker aircraft factory near Amsterdam. The factory, which is now commandeered by the German invaders, is situated in the dock

SIR SHENTON THOMAS'S TERM EXTENDED

Sir Shenton Thomas's term of office as Governor of the Straits Settlements has been extended, stated a Colonial Office announcement in London yesterday.

Sir Shenton will resume residence in Singapore towards the end of the year. — Reuter.

SHIPPING FEDERATION BIRTHDAY

The Shipping Federation, one of the oldest employers' organisations which was formed as a fighting force to unite the resistance of shipowners to the strike weapon of the Seamen's Union, then led by the famous Labour leader and pioneer, the late Havelock Wilson, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary yesterday.

Delegates from many countries attending the early maritime sessions of the International Labour Conference at Geneva recall the violent verbal battles between Wilson and the secretary of the Shipping Federation, the late Cuthbert Laws, who, in the British tradition, were firm friends outside the conference hall.

The Times cites the comment of a Federation official that fifty years experience is a typical illustration of three phases of industrial relations, beginning with bitter antagonism, passing into uneasy and spasmodic negotiation and gradually reaching sustained co-operation.

The Times adds: "It is odd to reflect that this great, powerful and progressive organisation should have had its origin in sheer antagonism to a Trade Union with which to-day, without humbug or sentimentality, it can shake hands." — British Wireles.

MADRID ATTACK ON U.S.A.

The Madrid paper "Hoja Oficial del Lunes" in an editorial yesterday attacked United States influence in South America whither it thinks American efforts will be directed now the U.S. has been "defeated in the European and Asiatic front."

The Spanish press is always suspicious of any signs of collaboration between North and South America, Spain regarding itself as the rightful spiritual leader of that continent. — Reuter.

NEW SPANISH LINER

The newly-acquired Spanish liner Cabode Hornos was blessed at Bilbao yesterday in the presence of representatives of the Minister of Marine and the Consul of the Argentine, Brazil, Uruguay and Portugal.

The liner, which is owned by the Ibarra Company, will run to South America. — Reuter.

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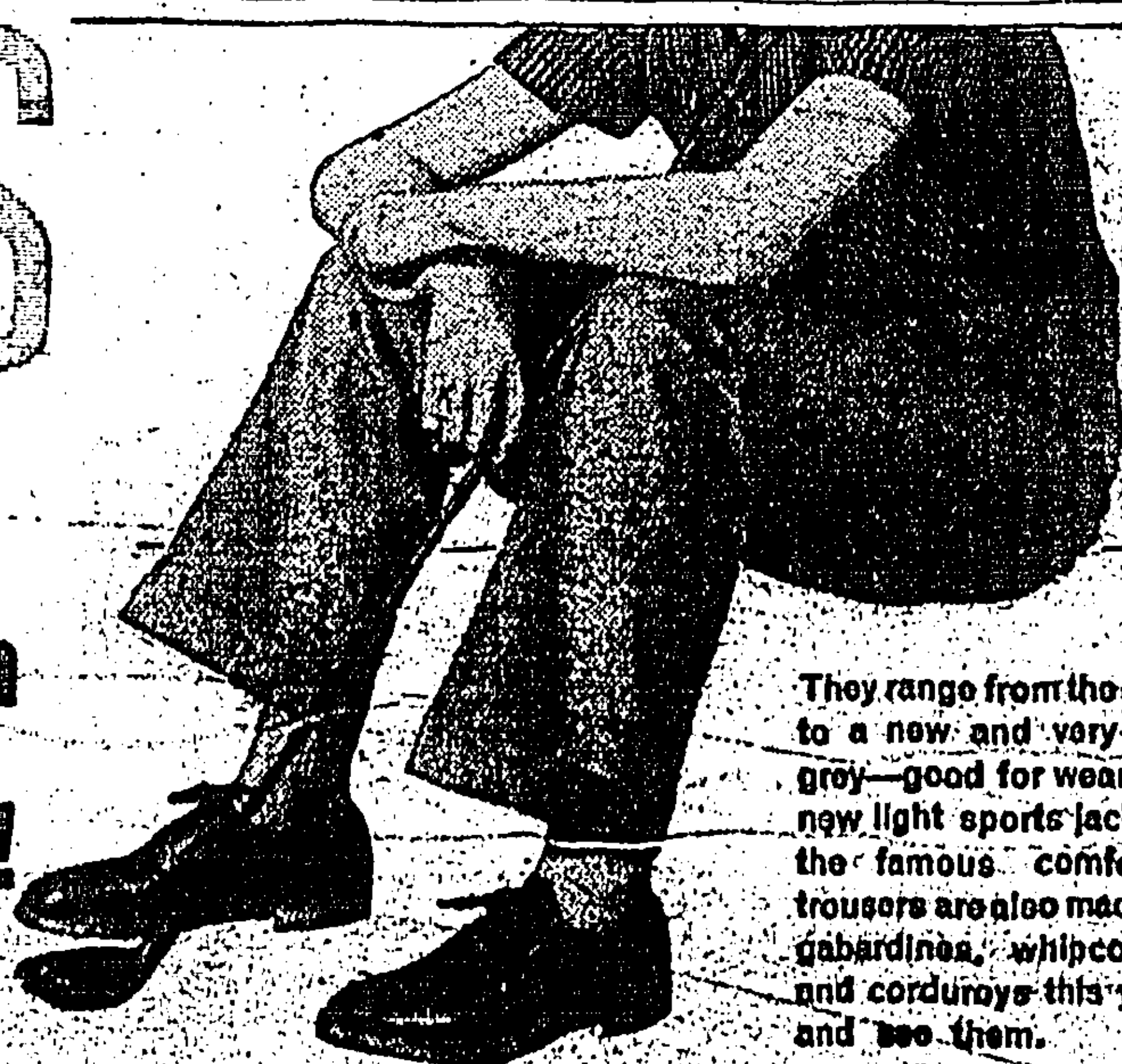
It was heavily bombed and fires and explosions were seen to break out among factory buildings and in docks lying to the south. — Reuter.

Amsterdam Havoc

Particularly heavy damage was done in the harbour area of Amsterdam during an R.A.F. raid early yesterday, says an Amsterdam despatch to the official German news agency. — Reuter.

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VICHY REFUTES ALLIANCE RUMOURS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Rumours spread by an American broadcasting station alleging that France may join the new German-Italian-Japanese pact were categorically denied in Vichy yesterday, where officials branded the reports as fantastic.

Official circles stressed that France's position towards the European signatories of the pact was fixed by the armistice clauses.

It was stated the agreement signed in Berlin a few days ago was of an essentially military character, and France ceased to be a military power on June 25. Regarding French relations with Japan, these were made clear when the Japanese recognised the territorial integrity of Indo-China and French sovereignty over that region. — Havas.

CITY LAND PURCHASE REVEALED

The Hong Kong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., it is learned, has acquired the property known as No. 11 Queen's Road Central, and No. 12 Ice House Street, which will, in time, be re-developed together with the St. Francis Hotel Building as a continuation of Windsor House.

Messrs. Leigh & Orange are already working upon the plans and the final finished scheme will comprise some 28,000 square feet.

This new purchase will bring into the Company's ownership on the north side of Queen's Road Central, all those buildings lying between the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China and the Hong Kong Hotel — a most valuable stretch of property housing, as it does, many of the leading banking institutions of the Colony.

The Company's obvious faith in the future of Hong Kong is to be applauded, and should act as a tonic to local commercial interests in these troublous times.

The No. 1 typhoon signal was lowered at 10.30 this morning.

WEATHER FORECAST: — North and north-west winds, fresh; fine generally.

LIGHTER EXPLOSION IN YAUMATI

A mysterious explosion, which rocked the Star Ferry, Yaumati and Mong Kok Districts, occurred on a lighter near the Jordan Road Ferry Wharf at 10.15 a.m. to-day.

Immediately after the explosion, the lighter burst into flames and smoke curling several hundred feet skywards was seen for miles around.

A fire float, in the charge of Mr. V. Chittenden, proceeded at full speed to assist two fire engines in extinguishing the flames.

The Emergency Police Unit was also called out to control the crowd which gathered along the waterfront and Inspector A. Wright, of the Yaumati Police Station, took charge of the situation.

The lighter which belonged to the Hong Kong and Kowloon Godown and Wharf Company, was lying off the No. 38 Godown between the Jordan Road Ferry Wharf and Yaumati Police Station, when the explosion occurred.

It is learned that there were chemicals on board the lighter and these, it is supposed, caused the explosion.

The Police are investigating. As far as is known, there was no-one on board the craft at the time of the explosion.

At the time of going to press the fire was still smouldering, with the lighter badly damaged.

FUGITIVE SHOT IN KOWLOON

Attempting to escape after he had, with two other men, robbed the ground floor of No. 91, Prince Edward Road, at 5.30 a.m. to-day, a Chinese robber was shot at and wounded by a Chinese detective.

Three men, armed with daggers, forced entry to the flat and began ransacking the place.

The occupant of the second floor was awakened and suspecting what was happening below, telephoned for the police.

The three robbers had just walked out when a party of Chinese detectives arrived.

The men started to run and failing to stop when warned, Chinese Detective Lau fired at them, wounding one, who was later admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.

Raiders Cover Wide Area of Reich

FIRES, FOLLOWED BY EXPLOSIONS VISIBLE FROM AIRCRAFT 60 MILES AWAY, MARKED A HEAVY ATTACK ON AN OIL REFINERY AND STORAGE PLANT AT MAGDEBURG CARRIED OUT ON SUNDAY NIGHT BY BRITISH BOMBERS, SAYS THE AIR MINISTRY NEWS SERVICE.

The plant, known as the Braunkohlen Nezin Company, is situated 200 miles inland from Germany's western frontier, and was subjected to a series of raids which began shortly after 10 p.m. and continued for nearly three hours.

Many fires started by incendiary bombs illuminated the target and guided following aircraft directly to the objective.

Attacking in shallow dives and often from low level, the raiders straddled the oil plant with high explosive bombs leaving a trail of multi-coloured fires and spasmodic explosions.

Later arrivals, adding their quota of bombs to fires already raging, saw them blaze up still more fiercely and spread rapidly across the target area.

Raiders participating in this attack also bombed the railway at the southern exit of the city and started fires close to the main line junction.

Gasworks Hit

Other forces of heavy bombers attacked a large coal gas plant at Stuttgart and the Bosch factory which produces electrical equipment for the German Services.

A stick of heavy calibre bombs fell across a gas works causing ten separate explosions.

The Bosch works were bombed for 15 minutes and are believed to have been heavily hit as a large fire was seen blazing in the area as bombing ceased.

An aluminium factory at Bitterfeld and rail communication centres in Germany were also successfully attacked during the night.

Great Fire

A power station near Antwerp was bombed, while other night raiders maintained their pressure on possible invasion bases and attacked shipping concentrations and harbour works at Ostend, Flushing and Calais.

Aerodromes at Giffhorn, Dessau, Evers, Aschersleben and Schiphol were also subjected to night attacks by heavy bombers.

At Schiphol, main airport of Amsterdam, sticks of bombs burst across the illuminated flare patch and at Aschersleben low-lying clouds were lit up by the glow of a great fire started on the aerodrome.

Coastal Inferno

The bombardment of potential invasion bases on the Belgian, Dutch and French coasts included a third attack on the naval

base at Lorient where heavy damage was caused in large-scale raids last week.

On Sunday night bad visibility hampered the attack but heavy calibre bombs were seen to straddle the target.

At Calais hits were scored in many parts of the dock area in the face of intense opposition from harbour gun batteries.

Other bomber forces raided the harbour at Ostend where bombs fell across the outer harbour and on the new tidal harbour, and the docks at Boulogne where hits were registered on several main shipping basins.

Bombs were also dropped on

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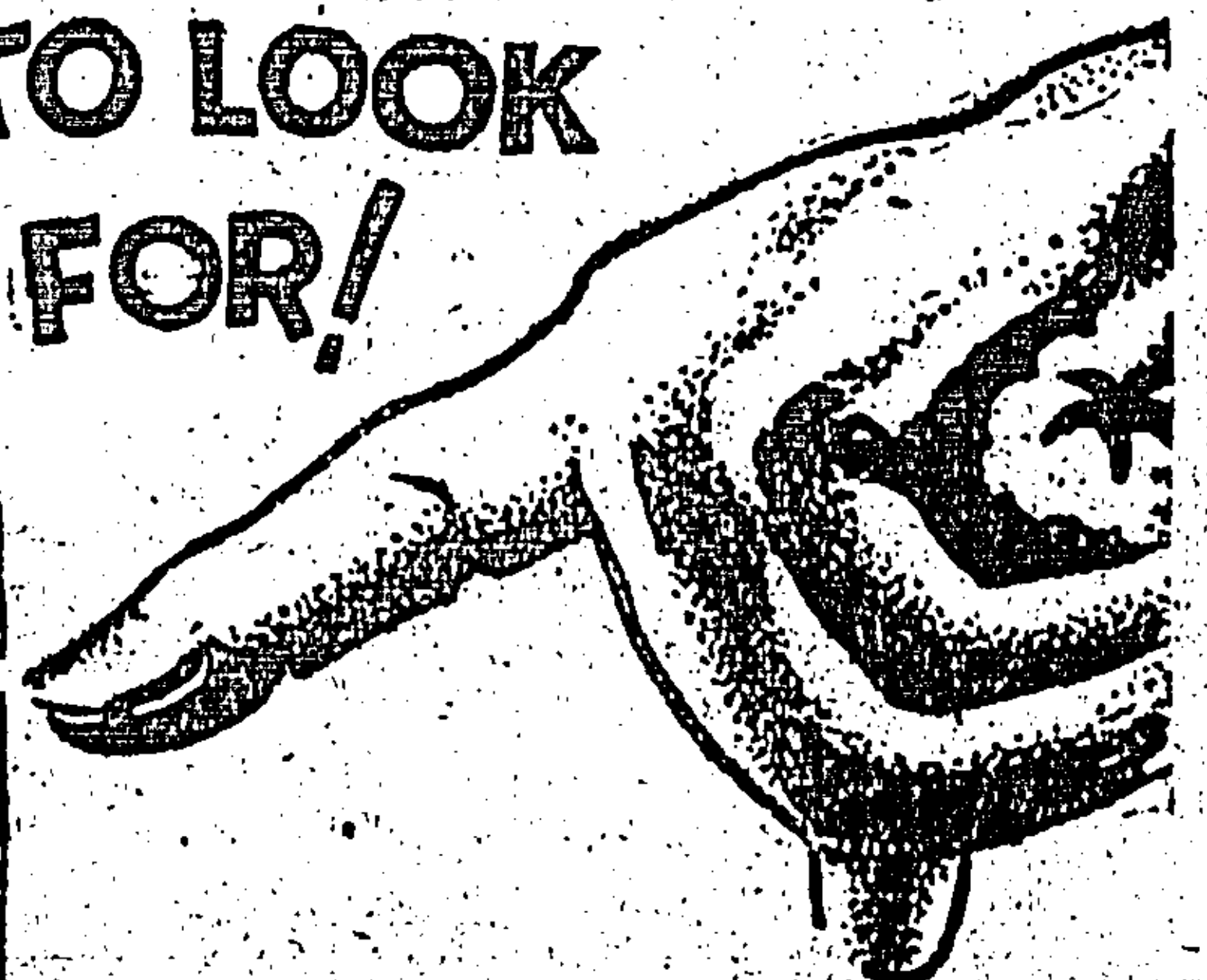
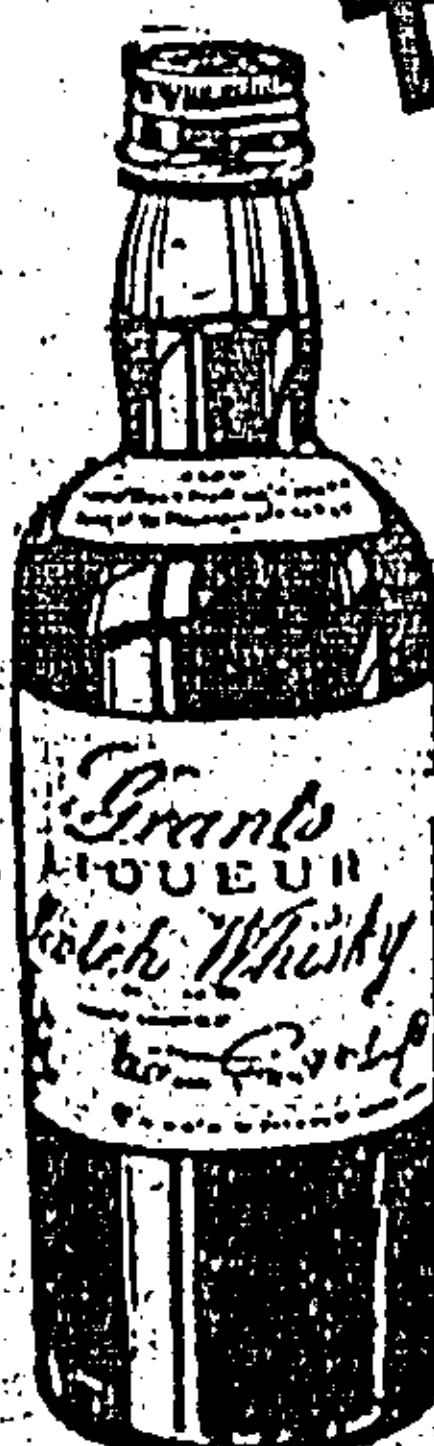
U.S. NAVAL RUMOURS

ASKED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY ABOUT REPORTS THAT THE UNITED STATES CONTEMPLATES SENDING WARSHIPS ON A "GOODWILL" VISIT TO AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND, SECRETARY OF STATE CORDELL HULL REPLIED THAT NO DEFINITE PROPOSALS HAD YET BEEN MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THE GENERAL DISCUSSIONS AND EXCHANGE OF VIEWS NOW IN PROGRESS WITH BRITAIN ON THE FAR EASTERN SITUATION. — REUTER.

CORRESPONDENT ASKED TO LEAVE

Claire Hollingsworth, correspondent in Bucharest for the London "Daily Express" was visited by Rumanian police yesterday and asked to leave the country. The British Legation has lodged a protest. — REUTER.

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MR. CHURCHILL'S 'MUNICH' MESSAGE TO CZECHS

"THE SOUL of freedom is deathless; it cannot and will not perish," said Mr. Winston Churchill in a special message which was read in a broadcast last night to the Czechoslovakian people.

The message recalled that the day was the second anniversary of the Munich Agreement, "a date which the world will always remember for the tragic sacrifice made by the Czechoslovak people in the interest of European peace."

PILOT'S UNIQUE FEAT

An amazing accident, unique in the annals of air history, occurred on Sunday in Australia over one of the air training fields.

Two training machines became interlocked one above the other at a height of 1,000 feet.

The pilot and observer in the lower plane and the observer of the other machine baled out and landed safely by parachute.

The pilot in the upper machine, however, elected to remain in his plane and in some miraculous fashion managed to land both planes, still interlocked, safely on the flying field.

The machines were only slightly damaged and both will be in the air again in a day or two. —Reuter.

N.E.I. AND JAPAN'S LEBENSRAUM

The Netherlands East Indies is intensely interested in the Axis/Japan pact, particularly in what sphere the Axis and Japan regard as their "lebensraum."

Does this include Indo-China, China, Thailand, Malaya, the Philippines and the Netherlands East Indies?

Reports from Batavia say some Japanese have rather wide conceptions of "living space" and the leading N.E.I. newspapers say in effect that the N.E.I. will not tolerate control by any foreign power of their territory or interests.

"We have no doubt that the Netherlands will ultimately free itself from German domination," these papers say, "and the Netherlands East Indies will remain faithful to the policy of the status quo."

The N.E.I. do not consider themselves involved in the Berlin/Rome/Tokyo agreement and will resist any infringement on their right to independent and free existence with all the means in their power, the papers conclude. —Reuter.

BRITISH PILOT INTERRED IN EIRE

The Eire Department of Defence announces that a British plane made a forced landing near Enniscorthy on Sunday. The pilot, who was uninjured, was interred. —Reuter.

COTTON TO REPLACE POSTERS

Familiar posters printed on cotton instead of paper may soon be giving peace-time brightness to British streets.

"Although it is not new, the process has come to the forefront since the paper shortage became acute," a reporter was told by Mr. Ernest Marks, head of a Manchester firm which is sponsoring the scheme.

"The cloth—made in Lancashire—has a special gloss surface, which takes printing just as well as paper. We have already had inquiries from several national advertisers, and we feel sure we can soon fill some of those empty hoardings."

The fabric is only slightly dearer than paper, and considerably more durable. It can be used to replace paper for other uses. Liverpool Cotton Corporation, for instance, have adopted it as notepaper.

"The hopes which this agreement stirred in the heart of civilised mankind has been frustrated."

Within six months the solemn pledges given by the unscrupulous men who control the destiny of Germany were broken and the agreement destroyed with a ruthlessness which unmasked the true nature of their reckless ambitions to the whole world.

"The protection which Hitler forced upon you has been a sham and a cloak for the incorporation of your once flourishing country in the so-called Greater Reich."

"Instead of protection he has brought you nothing but moral and material devastation and today the followers of the great tolerant and humanitarian President Masaryk are being persecuted with a deliberate cruelty which has few parallels in modern history."

Instinctive Defiance

"In this hour of your martyrdom I send you this message. The battle which we in Britain are fighting to-day is not only our battle, it is also your battle and indeed the battle of all nations who prefer liberty to soulless serfdom."

"It is the struggle of civilised nations for the right to live their own life in the manner of their own choosing. It represents man's instinctive defiance of tyranny and an impersonal universe."

"Throughout history no European nation has shown a greater will to survive than yours and to-day again your people have given countless proofs of their courage in adversity."

Pride And Gratitude

"Here in Britain we have welcomed with pride and gratitude your soldiers and airmen who have come by daring escapes to take part with ever-increasing success in that battle for Britain which is also the battle for Czechoslovakia and no less sincere is our admiration for those Czechs and Slovaks who on the home front are risking death or worse than death to foster resistance against a cruel and heartless oppressor."

"It is because we both are fighting for the fundamental deontologies of human life that we are determined that neither our struggle nor your struggle shall be in vain."

"It is for this reason that we have refused to recognise any of the brutal conquests of Germany in Central Europe or elsewhere; that we have welcomed a Czechoslovak Provisional Government in this country; and that we have made the restoration of Czechoslovak liberties one of our principal way aims."

Be Of Good Cheer

With firmness and resolution, two qualities which our nations share in equal measure, these aims will be achieved."

"Be of good cheer. The hour of your deliverance will come. The soul of freedom is deathless; it cannot and will not perish." —Reuter.

DEPARTURE OF LONDON JAPANESE: THE EXPLANATION

CONTRADICTION REPORTS were current yesterday about the departure of Japanese residents from Great Britain.

The Japan radio yesterday morning announced that 750 Japanese had been ordered to leave by the Japanese Embassy in London.

SPANISH VIEW OF AXIS PACT

Editorial comment in the Lisbon Government organ "Diario de Manhã" yesterday interprets the Axis-Japan pact as directed primarily against the United States and secondly against Russia in spite of the clause expressly stating the contrary.

The despatch of German troops to Finland is interpreted as a menace to the Soviet.

"With the collaboration of Japan secured, Germany prepares to face the problem of the Baltic."

"Stalin will observe that the Soviet advance westward must come to an end."

The Arabic press yesterday tended to regard the new pact as proof of Hitler's frantic search for new allies.

Realising the failure of his attack on Britain he is striving to redress the balance through this effort to tie America's hands in Europe through a major preoccupation in the Pacific. The Arabic papers ask how can Hitler and Mussolini help Japan, and some regard the pact as principally designed to bolster up German and Italian propaganda. —Reuter.

ITALIAN RATIONING

The Italian Ministry of Corporations yesterday decreed that olive oil, butter, bacon and lard will be rationed in Italy from October 1, says a Rome despatch to the official German news agency.—Reuter.

CONGO'S ON THE AIR

THE BELGIAN CONGO GOES ON THE AIR TO-DAY WITH A NEW SHORT-WAVE RADIO STATION OPERATING FROM LEOPOLDVILLE.

Programmes will be broadcast from 10.55 a.m. to noon G.M.T. (6.55 p.m. to 8 p.m. Hong Kong Time) and from 6.55 p.m. to 7.45 p.m. G.M.T. (10.55 a.m. to 11.45 a.m. H.K.T.). The first transmission will be on 14.97 metres, the second on 29.64 metres.

The opening programme will be at 6.55 p.m., when the Governor-General of the Belgian Congo will inaugurate the service. —Reuter.

GANDHI LEAVING WITHOUT AGREEMENT

Mr. Gandhi's second interview with the Viceroy in Simla yesterday lasted two and three quarter hours, after which the Mahatma decided to leave in the evening for Wardha.

The Viceroy has written to Mr. Gandhi stating it is impossible, in the interests of India, to acquiesce in the interference with war efforts which would result from the freedom of speech asked for by Congress.

Mr. Gandhi has replied that while Congress is anxious to refrain from embarrassing the British Government in their war efforts, it cannot "deny its creed at the present critical juncture of mankind's destiny."

Mr. Gandhi's Reply

In the course of his reply to the Viceroy, Mr. Gandhi stated that:

"If Congress has to die, it should do so in the act of proclaiming its faith."

"It is unfortunate that we have been unable to arrive at an agreement on the single issue of freedom of speech. But I shall hug the hope that it will be possible for the Government to work out their policy in the spirit of the position of Congress."

Gandhi's Argument

Full text of the correspondence shows that the Viceroy, writing to Mr. Gandhi, says: "It has emerged from our conversation that while you would not yourself preach to workers engaged in war work at actual works, in an endeavour to dissuade them from working on war equipment, you should regard it as essential that it should be open to Congress and non-Congress members alike to deliver addresses, and in other ways to call upon people throughout the country to refrain from assisting India's war effort in any way which would involve India's participation in bloodshed." —Reuter.

LIVERPOOL RAID STOPPED

Nine Hurricanes of R.A.F. Fighter Command yesterday saved Liverpool from what might have been a serious bombing attack.

At about 6.30 p.m. the Hurricanes, on patrol over the Irish Channel, sighted a formation of nine Heinkel 111 bombers roughly midway between St. David's Head, in the south-west corner of Wales, and Rosslare, in Ireland. The Heinkels were flying fast and high to the north-east which would take them to the Liverpool area.

The Hurricanes at once attacked. When they saw one of the pilots, the Heinkels veered towards the west. We kept chasing after them. One crashed into the sea near Wexford. By this time the Heinkels had wheeled right round and were heading back to the south.

Another was badly damaged and is unlikely to have reached home. When last seen it was lagging well behind the rest. Several more jettisoned their bombs after turning back. —British Wireless.

JUNKS IN MINEFIELD

A fleet of 12 junks entered the North Lantau Channel Minefield yesterday, and, as a result, the masters were charged before Commander T. C. Stiff this morning.

Each was fined \$30 or \$50. The fleet was found in the minefield by a naval patrol at 7.30 a.m.

The Embassy promptly denied this, and it appears that the truth is that the Japanese Consul-General asked the Tokyo Foreign Office to send a Japanese ship to pick up some Japanese who wish to return to Japan.

Some of the Japanese firms and banks have decided to reduce their staffs and they asked the Consul-General to arrange for their return to Japan. —Reuter.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent says that the Japanese Consul-General in London, Mr. Uchiyama, acting on the wish of some Japanese residents in the British capital, requested the Foreign Office in Tokyo to send a Japanese ship to evacuate them.

Since the beginning of the Battle of London many Japanese firms and banks had decided to reduce their staffs to a skeleton basis owing to the danger to life from air raids and a certain shrinkage of business.

There is no truth whatsoever in the Tokyo report that the Japanese Embassy in London ordered Japanese residents to leave the country.

Out of some 700 Japanese only about 70 will leave England if and when the Japanese ship arrives.

Heard Nothing

A leading official of the Yokohama Specie Bank told Reuter yesterday: "We have no intention of evacuating and we have heard nothing even faintly resembling this report. If there had been any such order we should certainly have heard from our head office in Tokyo."

"Some Japanese have certainly left London but they have gone of their own accord because business has been bad." Reuter understands the steamer Fushimi Maru is due in Lisbon about October 20 and may arrive at an English port early in November. —Reuter.

LUFTWAFFE TRIES AGAIN

Big Raids Renewed For First Time Since Friday

Five "Alert" Warnings In London

LONDON HAD FOUR ALERTS UP TO ABOUT 5 O'CLOCK YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, THE FIRST BEING THE RESULT OF A GERMAN BOMBER AND FIGHTER FORMATION NUMBERING 80 WHICH CROSSED THE KENT COAST AND AFTER FLYING A FEW MILES INLAND SPLIT INTO A NUMBER OF SMALL GROUPS.

The machines stayed over coastal districts in Kent and Sussex for a short time before being dispersed.

About 40 aircraft were used in the second attack when the raiders came over the south-east coast in a number of formations.

Before they had gone very far inland they were again intercepted by British fighters and in neither of these attacks did any enemy aircraft reach the London area.

During the third raid British fighters engaged the raiders high over the western suburbs of London.

An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security announcement issued last evening stated: the enemy made four large-scale attacks on south and east areas between dawn and early afternoon and A.A. defences were constantly in action.

In the first two attacks which took place at about 9 a.m. and 10.15, respectively, the enemy crossed the coast near Dover and penetrated about 40 miles inland but none reached London.

Bexhill And Hastings

Bombs were dropped at several places in the south-east, notably Bexhill and Hastings, and some damage and casualties, some fatal, were caused in each of these towns.

About an hour later a third attack was made across the Dorset coast where the enemy was engaged. Few of his bombers penetrated any distance inland and no reports of bombs have been received.

The fourth attack was the largest and began soon after 3 p.m. About 180 aircraft flew in over Dungeness and again penetrated inland but were engaged and broken up before reaching the outskirts of London.

Western Suburbs

A few enemy aircraft, however, evaded our defences and succeeded in dropping bombs in the western suburbs. Here damage was done and casualties caused but details are not yet available.

It is officially announced that 11 enemy aircraft were destroyed up to 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

London had its fourth alert for a short period late in the afternoon.—Reuter.

AGAIN OVER LONDON LAST NIGHT

German bombers were around London again last evening but the first few hours were remarkably quiet in Central London.

German 'planes were reported in north-east and south-west areas of England.—Reuter.

Dorset Bombing

An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique states that late yesterday afternoon enemy aircraft approaching in three separate forces crossed the coasts of Kent and Sussex simultaneously.

Our fighters engaged the scattered enemy. A few bombs were dropped and some damage caused at a town in Dorset and a town in the Thames Valley where there were some casualties. Elsewhere damage was slight.

During the afternoon an isolated attack was made on a town in Suffolk. Houses were damaged but reports indicate casualties were very few.—Reuter.

"BAG" JUMPS TO 47

An Air Ministry report late last evening stated the day's bag of Nazi raiders had been increased to 47, one of them having been downed by A.A. guns.

Twenty-two of our fighters were lost but the pilots of 12 are safe.—Reuter.

GRIS NEZ DRENCHED IN FLAMES

Houses on the Kent coast were shaken by heavy explosions last night when the R.A.F. delivered another big attack on the German invasion bases.

Brilliant flashes from bursting bombs reddened the starlit sky and the reflection they cast upon the water reached the British side of the Straits of Dover.

Calais harbour and long-range gun emplacements near Cap Gris Nez appeared to be the main targets. At times, this part of the French coast seemed to be drenched in flames.

Vigorous resistance was given by German ground defences.—Reuter.

SUBMARINE CREW SAFE

CONFIRMATION OF THE BELIEF THAT OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE SUBMARINE SHARK ARE PRISONERS OF WAR IS PROVIDED BY TWO LETTERS FROM THE COMMANDER, LT-COMM. P. N. E. BUCKLEY, RECEIVED AT HIS HOME AT HOOTON, CHESHIRE, YESTERDAY.

All the officers and some of the ratings are believed to be safe.

Buckley was wounded but he says he is quite all right now and is very well looked after.—Reuter.

THAILAND MISSION IN INDIA

The goodwill mission from Thailand, touring India, arrived at Calcutta yesterday. The members are remaining in India until the middle of October as the guests of the Government of India.—Reuter.

STARTLING MOVE BY U.S. GOVERNMENT

The United States Government yesterday filed suit against twenty-two major oil companies and the American Petroleum Institute, charging them with unlawful monopoly, price-fixing and conspiracy in violation of the Sherman anti-Trust Act.

The Government is asking the Federal District Court of Columbia to restrain the companies from acquiring oil reserves for monopolistic purposes and to dissolve the American Petroleum Institute.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN AIRCRAFT OUTPUT

Mr. Fadden, the Australian Air Minister, stated in Melbourne yesterday that Australia is producing two de Havilland Moth training 'planes daily and is now filling overseas orders for training aircraft from the surplus home supply.

He added that the output at Wirraway is already 30 'planes a month.—Reuter.

COALITION SOUGHT IN AUSTRALIA

MR. MENZIES, THE AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER, IS REPORTED TO BE TAKING STEPS TO PREVENT A 'TALEMA' AS A RESULT OF THE GENERAL ELECTIONS, WHICH HAVE LEFT ONLY A SMALL MARGIN BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE OPPOSITION.

Mr. R. G. Menzies is inviting Mr. Cameron, Mr. Curtin and Mr. Leasley, respectively leaders of the Country, Labour and Anti-Communist Labour Parties, to meet him on Friday to discuss methods of instituting an effective government.

Mr. Menzies said that as a result of the recent elections no party will have a majority giving it clear authority in the new Parliament, and thus a National Government was the only practicable course to ensure stability and a strong war effort during the most vital period in Australian history.—Reuter.

HUNGARIAN TRIP CONCLUDED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") The Hungarian Agriculture Minister returned to Budapest yesterday after a two-day visit to "I hope my trip will serve to strengthen agricultural relations between the two countries."—Havas.

BIG TIN DEPOSITS DISCOVERED

Tin deposits estimated by Egyptian experts at some half a million tons have been discovered in the neighbourhood of Kossair on the Red Sea Coast.

The Under-Secretary of Finance declares that these mines should produce about 15,000 tons of pure tin annually.—Reuter.

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There are over 100 pupils at a school for Belgian refugee children in London. The school, which is situated in St. John's Wood Park, is free and all the teachers are Belgian. Photo shows some of the young refugees dashing out of their school at playtime. (Copyright, Fox).

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KUNMING RAIDED FROM INDO-CHINA

Foreign property suffered heavily when 27 Japanese planes from one of the newly acquired bases in Indo-China yesterday subjected Yunnan-fu to the severest raid the city has yet experienced.

There were no foreign casualties.—Reuter.

Kunming was indiscriminately bombed, the Japanese planes killing and wounding some 400 civilians and causing considerable damage to Chinese and foreign property.

The air raid alarm was sounded in the city at 10.20 a.m. when 45 Japanese aircraft were reported to have crossed the Indo-China border heading for Kunming.

About 12.30 p.m. the machines neared Kunming and were intercepted by Chinese fighters, while Chinese A.A. batteries set up a barrage.

Bombs were then indiscriminately let loose over the city by the invading aircraft.

The "all clear" was sounded at 2.30 p.m.—Our Own Correspondent.

British Hospital Destroyed

The premises of the Banque de l'Indochine and a British hospital were destroyed despite the large French and British flags painted on their respective roof-tops. The Tung Shen Primary School was also demolished.

The slum district outside the south gate suffered the most. Many of the poor were killed or rendered homeless.

Three bombs landed on Nanchan Street, one of the busiest centres in the city, reducing many houses to a shambles.—Central News.

A PLAN FOR ACTION!

Chinese official reaction to the Axis-Japanese alliance is still obscure but it is understood that China's strong disapproval will be enunciated in a statement to be made to-day.

Meanwhile the influential Chinese newspaper "Ta Kung Pao" advocates the recall of the Chinese Ambassador in Berlin.

It points out that the new three-power pact is definitely a hostile action against China, and proposes that the Chinese and British Governments should defend Burma for the protection of Singapore, and that Britain should re-open the Burma road.

The newspaper adds this would enable Britain and the United States to rush supplies to China so the Chinese army can "launch a counter-offensive" against the Japanese on land while the British and American navies attack Japan by sea.—Reuter.

TANGIER MOVES

Following the Dakar episode the authorities at Tangier are tightening control over all people suspected of being hostile to the Axis powers.

It is learned that 20 British subjects have been ordered to leave Casablanca for the interior, so they can be kept under closer supervision.

There are signs that the infiltration of Axis elements in French Morocco is being accentuated.—Reuter.

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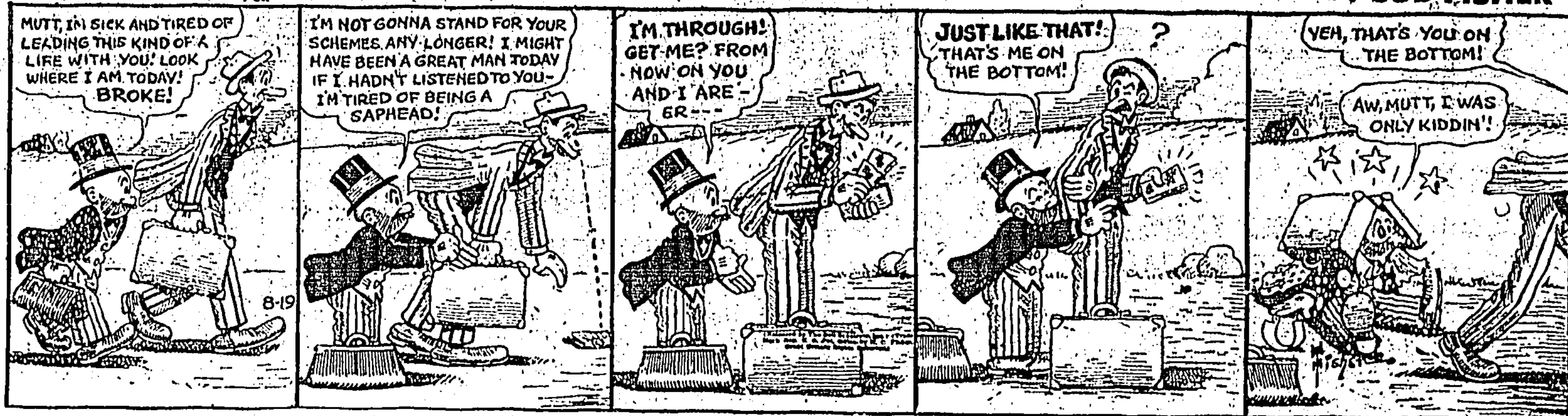
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SIR HUGH DOWDING AWARDED G.C.B.

The Air Ministry announced last night that His Majesty the King has appointed Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Dowding to be Knight Grand Cross of the Military Division of the Order of the Bath.—Reuter.

STOCK EXCHANGE "STEADY, QUIET"

The London Stock Exchange was generally steady yesterday though trading was quiet. Gilt-edged fluctuated narrowly, and industrial gains and losses were about equal. Kaffirs were subjected to small profit-taking. Wall Street was steady.—Reuter.

THE R.A.F. MEN who man the bombers that daily deal out destruction to military objectives in Germany are getting a little bored with the monotony — or so it would appear from several modest interviews yesterday!

"The first time we got the order to bomb Berlin we were thrilled," said a Pilot-Officer. "Now it's just another trip."

"It's not a comfortable journey because of the distance."

Occasionally, the German anti-aircraft batteries keep firing at them and the weather is not always pleasant.

"But we cruise around till we hit the targets, which are easy to find," he said.

"There's really nothing to the Berlin trip," said a Sergeant-Pilot. "It's as easy as riding a bicycle."

Another Sergeant-Pilot said that at times the Nazi anti-aircraft gunners kept firing away at them both on the outward and the homeward journeys, "but it doesn't bother us now, we're used to it."

A Pilot-Officer who, before the war, used to do circus tricks on

a motor-cycle, complained that there was "no excitement at all!"

Once, an enemy fighter came within 70 yards of his plane. He withheld his fire to see what the German would do. It sheered off.

A Squadron-Leader said:—"Although we've not been very lucky so far as the weather over Berlin is concerned, there are so many landmarks we have no difficulty finding our objectives."

"Targets we have been sent out to bomb have been bombed, I can assure you!" — Reuter.

JAPAN BLAMES ROOSEVELT

DIDN'T WANT TO DO IT!

A TOKYO MESSAGE SAYS THAT THE "JAPAN TIMES," AN ENGLISH-LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER WHICH FREQUENTLY REFLECTS THE OFFICIAL JAPANESE VIEW, YESTERDAY BITTERLY ATTACKED PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S POLICY IN THE FAR EAST.

The U.S. Government, says the paper, "forced" Japan to join the Axis by a series of "stealthy incidents."

Japan, Germany and Italy could have carried on without special alliance if the "provocativeness of the United States had not been past all bearing." — Reuter.

TENTH HAIFA RAID

HUNDREDS GATHERED ON MOUNT CARMEL ON SUNDAY TO WATCH THE ITALIANS ATTEMPT THEIR TENTH RAID ON HAIFA. THE RAIDERS TWISTED AND DIVED TO AVOID THE FIRE OF SHORE BATTERIES. They then climbed to a great height and released their bombs over wasteland and into the sea. Ten people were slightly injured but there was no material damage. — Reuter.

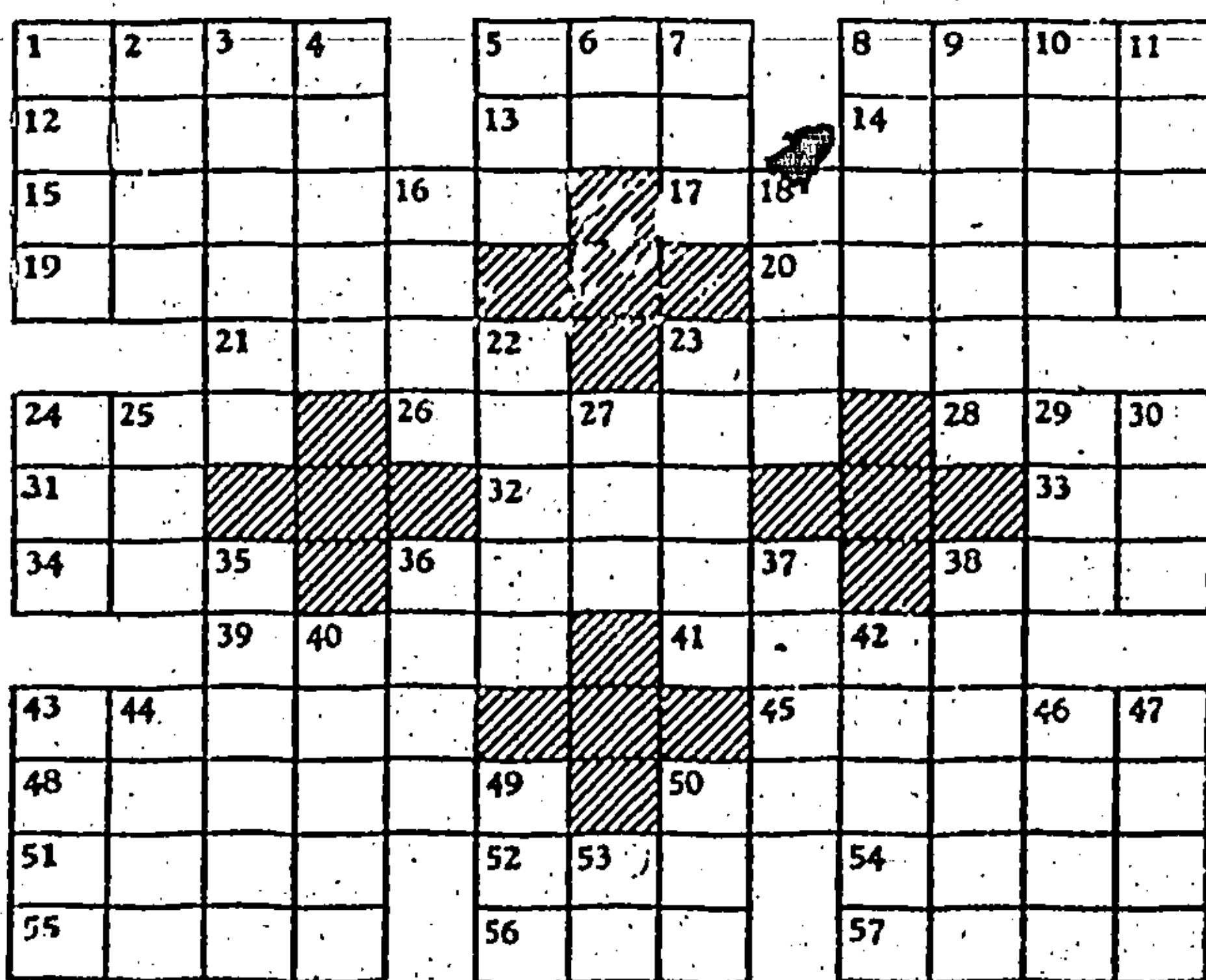
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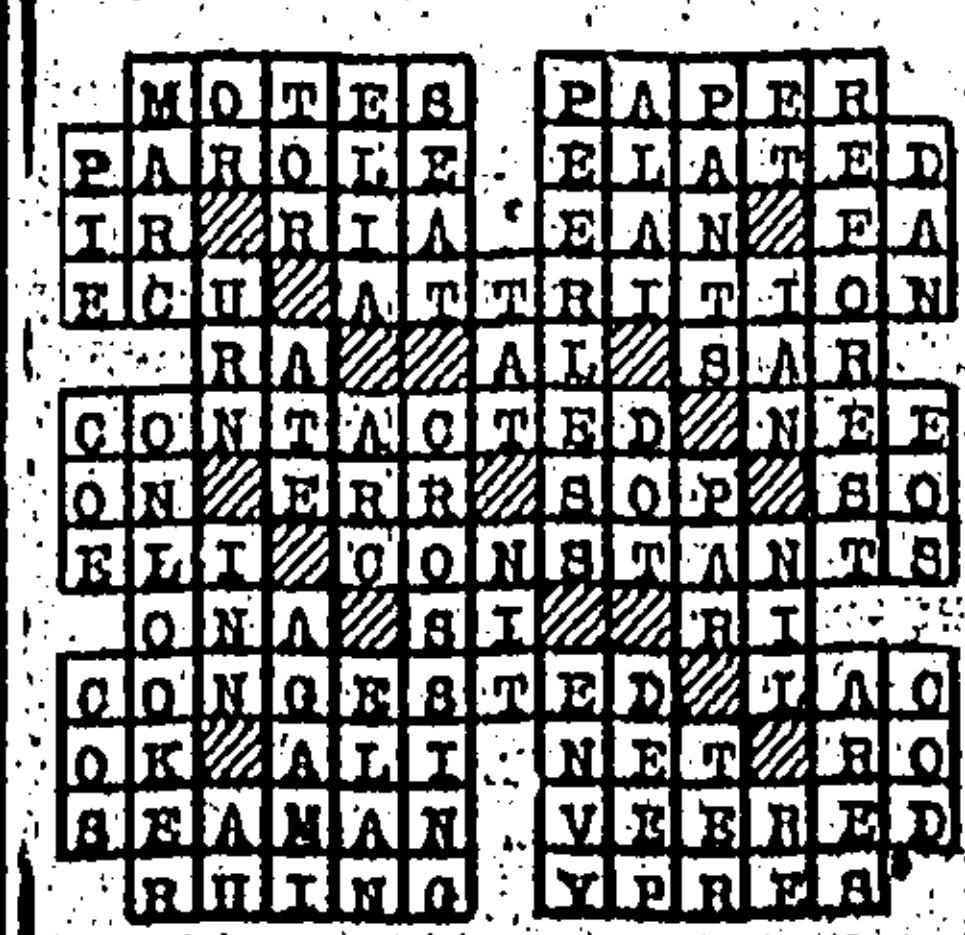
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- 1 Slamase
- 2 coins
- 3 Dance step
- 4 Nothing more than
- 5 To converse
- 6 Tropical blackbird
- 7 Mohammedan governor
- 8 Vigorous
- 9 Non-metallic element
- 10 Toward the centre
- 11 Regulates the food of
- 12 Solar disk
- 13 To look closely
- 14 Amusement
- 15 Gannet
- 16 Music, as written
- 17 Land measure
- 18 Brazilian coin
- 19 Paid notice
- 20 To immerse
- 21 Sacred song
- 22 Compact mass
- 23 Curved molding
- 24 Rail

VERTICAL

- 1 Pain
- 2 At that time
- 3 Scotch plaid fabric
- 4 Ermine
- 5 Moccasin
- 6 Article
- 7 Thus
- 8 Former Rumanian queen
- 9 Dying coals
- 10 Outbreak
- 11 Sea eagles
- 12 Roman date
- 13 Arabian seaport
- 14 Pertaining to the Scandinavian countries
- 15 Buckets
- 16 Craze
- 17 Swiss canton
- 18 Meadow
- 19 Japanese pagoda
- 20 To append
- 21 Less well off
- 22 Lake-trout
- 23 Law: delay
- 24 To walk awkwardly
- 25 Avarice
- 26 Sounds
- 27 To remain
- 28 Weblike membrane
- 29 Hollow-horned ruminant
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- 31 Cloth measure
- 32 Bed
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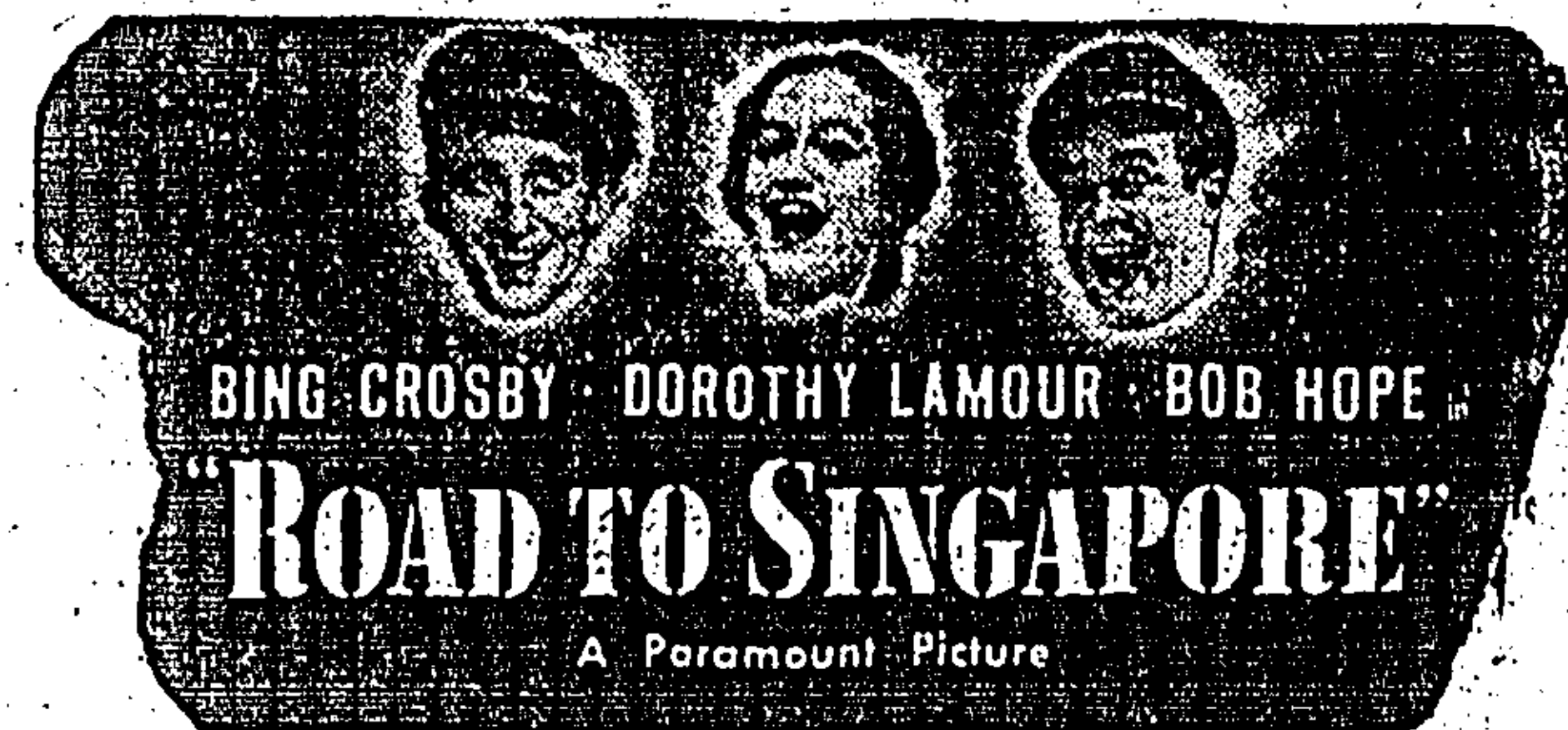
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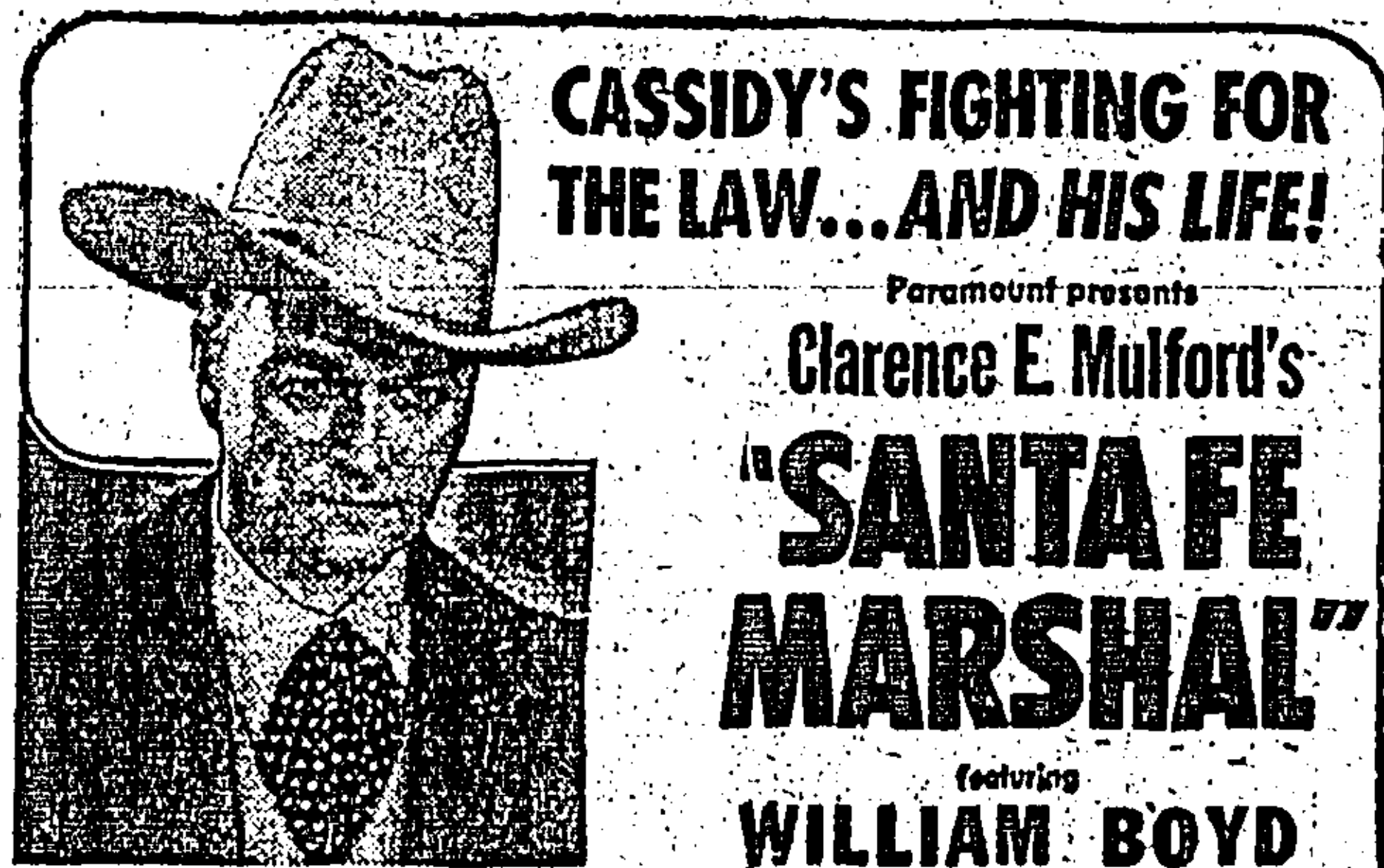


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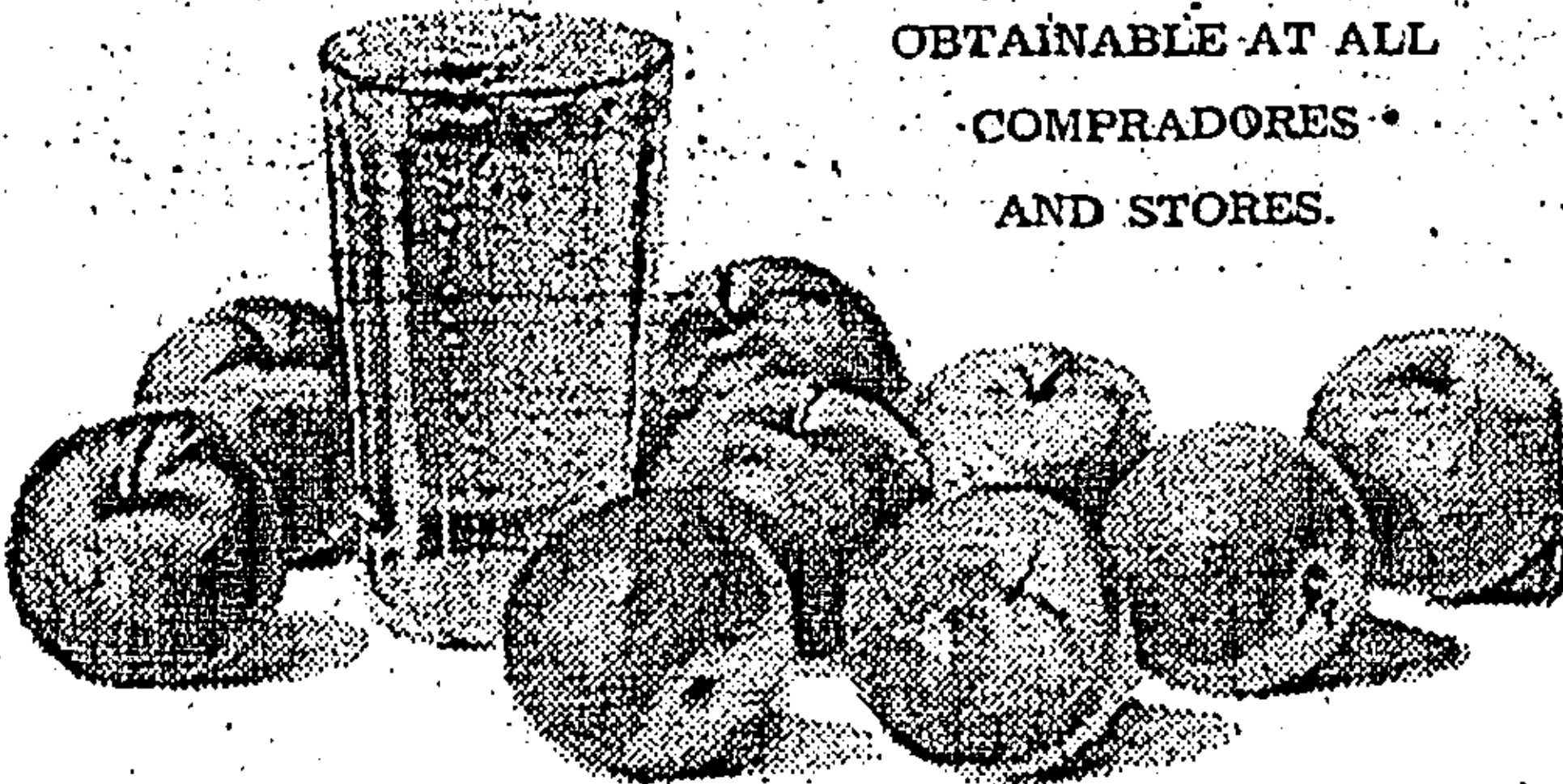


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**CHINA NOT MOVED
BY AXIS-TOKYO PACT**

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

"WHILE THE German-Italian-Japanese pact assigns leading roles to the signatories in the establishment of a new order in Europe and East Asia it completely disdains the legal status and interests of all countries in both continents," Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Chinese Foreign Minister, declared to the press in Chungking yesterday.

He added the aim of the Chinese Government has always been to maintain international order and enable all countries to live peacefully and on an equal footing.

As in the past, China would continue to oppose energetically all aggression aiming at the establishment of a new order.

The Chinese Government and people would continue the struggle for the maintenance of the legal order and would never recognise any accord signed by the Japanese aiming at the establishment of a new order.

The attitude and policy of the Chinese Government could not be altered by any such treaties, Dr. Wang Chung-hui concluded.—Havva.

Rights Of Third Powers

Reuter quotes Dr. Wang as saying the pact clearly seeks to invalidate the legitimate rights and interests of third powers both in Europe and Asia. The tripartite could never affect China's position and legitimate rights nor could it ever affect the position and policy of the Chinese National Government.

Conflict Inevitable

The belief that a Japanese-American conflict will be inevitable was expressed by Mr. Chow En-lai, Vice-director of the Political Affairs Department of the National Military Council, in a public lecture in Chungking yesterday.

Mr. Chow said that in order to hasten the final victory, China should try to win increased assistance from the United States and should in the meantime co-operate with the Soviet Union.—Central News.

**GERMAN
WRECK FOR
EXHIBIT**

A GERMAN PLANE IS NOW ON ITS WAY TO INDIA FOR EXHIBITION.

It has been bought by the organizers of a War Planes Fund, who paid £1,000 for the plane and will also pay freight charges.

They have promised to send all proceeds from the exhibition of the plane to buy more aircraft for the R.A.F.

The sum of £5,000 has been received from the Mysore War Relief Fund for the purchase of planes and a further £1,000 for the relief of air raid victims in London.

The United Provinces war fund has sent nearly £150,000 to provide two squadrons of Spitfires.—Reuter.

**SOUTH AFRICAN AIR
FORCE RAIDS**

It is officially announced in Nairobi that British Somaliland was successfully raided for the third time by the South African Air Force on Saturday.

The communiqué adds that administrative buildings received direct hits by heavy high explosive and incendiary bombs.

Some of the buildings were burned out.

Other South African squadrons carried out reconnaissances and have nothing to report.

All the aircraft in the operations returned safely to their base.—Reuter.

**A.R.P. SANDBAGS
STOLEN**

Sandbags, valued at \$100, belonging to the A.R.P. Department, were stolen from the garage of Mr. F. E. d'Almada Remedios at No. 9, Peace Avenue, on Sunday.

**SETS BURGLAR
ALARM GOING**

The ringing of a bell in a safe which he had succeeded in opening, led to the downfall of Li Fuk, 26, who was sentenced to three and a half months' hard labour by Mr. Q. A. A. MacFadyen, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Early yesterday morning accused gained entrance to a house after removing a piece of board from the door. He opened the safe with a key which he found on top of the safe.

On his opening the safe, however, an automatic bell started ringing, and accused was arrested by the tenant.

Mr. G. Owen, of No. 262, Nathan Road, was robbed of money and jewellery valued at \$183, stolen from his residence yesterday.

**TWO ACCUSED IN
BRUTAL PIRACY
DISCHARGED**

SUCCESSFUL submissions by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson and Mr. H. C. Macnamara that the Crown had not produced sufficient evidence against their clients resulted in the discharge of two of the six men charged in connection with a piracy near Lin Tin on May 6 and 7.

Accused are Sin Shing, Hui Fuk-shing, Ng Yau, Hui Shek-yan, Lo Fuk and Sin Shing-ye and they are charged with piracy *jure gentium* and piracy with violence.

The case is before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

Hui Shek-yan, defended by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, and Lo Fuk, defended by Mr. H. C. Macnamara, were to-day discharged.

Other Pleas

This morning, Sergeant Whitcroft gave evidence that he went on board the junk in Cheung Chau harbour. He found two dead men, one with his arms and legs tied. Another body was found on the deck. He too, had his hands and legs tied.

Three empty revolver cartridges were found scattered on the deck. Nineteen injured people were removed to Cheung Chau Hospital and two died later.

After the jury had retired Mr. Anderson, on behalf of fourth accused, submitted that there was no evidence to connect him with the crime. No-one was able to identify him. He came before an identification parade in June and was not identified. Yesterday, Muk Yee, widow of one of the deceased, failed to identify him in court.

Mr. Murphy, for the Crown, agreed.

Mr. Anderson's client was then discharged.

Mr. Macnamara, for fifth accused, submitted that the only evidence against his client was that of an accomplice.

His client was also discharged.

Mr. H. W. Lee, for second accused, argued that there was nothing in the evidence that could possibly connect him with the crime. Mr. Murphy, in reply, said there was distinct evidence of guilty knowledge.

**SENT FOR
TRIAL**

THREE CHINESE WHO WERE ARRESTED WITH TWO LOADED REVOLVERS IN PRINCE EDWARD ROAD ON SEPTEMBER 18, WERE COMMITTED FOR TRIAL BY MR. E. HIMS-WORTH THIS MORNING.

Accused were Tse Lui, 28, Lau Ming, 26, and Tsang Hung, 29.

They were all sentenced to six months' hard labour, last week for conspiracy to commit an armed robbery.

It was revealed that at 6.45 p.m. on September 18, seven Chinese detectives set an "ambush" in Prince Edward Road, after the police had received certain information.

After half an hour, the three accused were seen approaching and they were stopped and searched by the police, who found a revolver loaded with five rounds of ammunition on one and another revolver loaded with six rounds on another. The armed men said that the revolvers were given to them by the third man, who, it is alleged, admitted it.

**GIRL'S ATTEMPT
AT SUICIDE**

Ko Yuet-mui, 21, a spinster, was remanded for a week by Mr. G. T. Lowry this morning, when she was charged with attempting to commit suicide in the Tai Koon Boarding House in Des Voeux Road Central on September 22.

Mr. P. Chen, for third accused, said there was no evidence against his client that he was a principal in the first degree. The only evidence by the Crown was that given by Sin Shing, that second and third accused were present for a short time at a certain place.

Mr. Murphy said that there was evidence of conspiracy and evidence of the use of the torch.

Sin Shing's Story

Sin Shing, first accused, in evidence, said that he was a member of the crew. On the night in question, Leung Tai was at the rudder. He was awakened by Leung Tai who told him that there was a strange boat near. This was about 9 p.m. He told the other folks to shout to the boat. The boat was coming towards them, but before it came near he told the crew to fire on the strange boat.

The master of his junk had firearms, but did not fire. As the strange boat came near, those on board fired some shots. He, like others, hid in the hold. Later he got up and went aboard the robber junk as ordered. He denied that he went aboard the robber junk to change his clothes. He did not help in the transfer of the cargo.

The junk was rowed away with the robber boat in tow. Later he saw the robbers preparing to set fire to the junk and he told them that if they wanted to become rich quick they should not take the lives of any of them.

Some robbers said: "Set fire to the junk" and he asked them not to do so, but they told him it was their business not his. He returned to the robber junk because they were going to set the other on fire.

He denied that he and the other robbers set it on fire so as to leave no trace of the crime. Case is proceeding.

CHINA MAIL
WINDSOR HOUSE

IRRESISTIBLE?

The alliance between Tokyo and the Axis, factually, changes little. What was understood is now openly professed.

It will do Britain more good than harm, however, if, as is likely, its effect is to bring home to Americans how close they are to actual conflict, how circumstances are compelling them to a decision, or at least to a long-range defence policy which will involve stinting themselves in order that Britain be maintained in the forefront in overwhelming strength.

If world conditions were such that a nation could keep out of war simply by not being disposed to go to war, these arguments would have some force. But Europe has seen one nation after another overrun whose deepest desire was to be left in peace. Even isolationists generally accept the thesis that the only way for America safely to assume it will not have to go to war is to be prepared for it if it comes.

On this premise, however, the three contentions of the die-hard isolationists boil down to strange and grim conclusions. Thus:

To hold that one should not begin to fight until his country is invaded is, in effect, to prefer that war should be fought on American soil, destroying American homes, giving hostages of American resources rather than that its tide should be met and turned back before it reaches United States shores.

Those who oppose furnishing assistance to Britain may reasonably be asked, "Do you mean you would rather wait until the lives of American sailors instead of British sailors shall be risked in operating destroyers, and do you prefer that the American Army and Navy should have to fight—possibly Japan and Germany at once—without an ally in the world rather than with one?"

Finally, those who plead to save American youth from conscription and training in peacetime for defence are advocating a complacent course that may result in these young men being sent into battle as the most helpless kind of "cannon fodder"—untrained troops—instead of skilled in how to protect themselves.

The people who take these positions are for the most part keenly conscientious. They are try-



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Four Military Tasks

Four military tasks confront this country in its present situation: (1) Repelling (or, better still, destroying) effective invasion; (2) Imposing blockade on the enemy; (3) Raising the enemy's counter-blockade; (4) Ultimately taking offensive. This last point is commonly understated or omitted; its necessity will be explained when we reach it.

These four acts are neither consecutive nor indissoluble. The first three might come into play simultaneously or only two of them might. Their connection is not necessary or indissoluble either because one of them, invasion, is a separate proposition from the rest, while the last one, the counter-offensive, takes on its full value only when all the other three are accounted for. But complete failure in any one of these acts would mean defeat according to the degree of that failure, while failure in the first, the repelling of the effective invasion, would mean defeat of all the rest. Upon the carrying out of these acts, and especially the last, the counter-offensive, depends the survival of this country in the national position it has held for generations.

Invaders' Task

1.—Repelling effective invasion. Only effective invasion is to be considered, i.e., massive invasion on a scale permitting full and permanent occupation and compelling the destruction or capitulation of the defence. If such invasion succeeds it succeeds altogether. No partial success is possible, that is, no partial success could be of final service to the enemy, because whatever sufficient body of resistance remained would in the nature of things be increasingly reinforced by the defence with its much greater resources and world-wide connections (supposing, of course, that communication by sea were not interrupted). If effective invasion on a large scale and occupying the invaded territory fully is successful nothing could oust it, or destroy it, save a fully equipped and fully organised army on the same scale at least as the invader's own forces.

Now the conditions of effective invasion on such a scale are simple and known to everybody: they

ing to think in humane and sympathetic terms. Yet is this true solicitude for American youth and civilised behaviour in the world?

mean (a) the establishment of two or more bridgeheads and (b) the maintenance of permanent communications overseas between those bridgeheads and the enemy's sources of supply in men and munitionment from the continent. As to (a), it is by no means an impossible task, beginning on a reduced scale and increasing after the bridgeheads were established. More than one bridgehead, and preferably widely separated bridgeheads are a condition of such invasion, because an isolated bridgehead would invite immediate and overwhelming naval and military concentration against its small beginnings. Therefore feint and diversion are necessary to the invader.

Problem Never Solved

Such bridgeheads, we say, are conceivable enough. The military opposition to them from within might well be at first insufficient and the naval threat against them from without would at first be

By HILAIRE BELLOC

scattered, awaiting concentration. It is rather the second condition, the maintenance of permanent communications between the bridgeheads and the continent, which presents the most formidable difficulties. No doubt the enemy has built and concentrated transport, and has added, also, by new building to his striking power by sea. No doubt along comparatively short and narrow lanes great superiority in the air might guarantee transport temporarily.

But temporary transport would be worthless. Transport would have to be permanent and on a very large scale indeed. This is true even of the supplies required for the personnel, and when we add to this the very great difficulties of conveying and landing the heavy material, tanks and artillery and munitionment, which the effort would require, it should be manifest that the establishment of permanent communications by the enemy between his bases and his invading forces would present a problem never yet solved and perhaps insoluble.

The Kernel

When we consider that the main obstacle to any such action is still the fleet, which in mere numbers remains overwhelmingly superior to anything the enemy can have provided, and in trained personnel is still more strikingly superior,

the full nature of the problem will be apparent. In marine gunnery alone the defence outclasses the offensive by sea, and on the one side you have a professional personnel formed by years of long training, on the other a short-service conscript personnel. The difference is not to be neglected.

The maintenance of permanent communications therefore is the kernel of the invasion business from the point of view of the enemy, and is by far the heaviest of his tasks, perhaps beyond power of accomplishment.

It may be argued that invasion being now possible not only by sea but by air, such arguments as these are obsolete. That is indeed the contention of those who, on the enemy's side, have been most hopeful of success. But the use of the air for invasion must consider the excellence of the numerically inferior air force on the side of the defence. This superiority in quality is, as we have constantly pointed out, increasing. Wherever the enemy has hitherto struck with full success he has met with no adequate resistance in this arm; here he would meet with high resistance.

Air Blockade

2.—Imposing blockade. Supposing invasion on sufficient scale be not attempted, the defensive would rely upon the traditional power of blockade and the offensive (that is the enemy action against us) upon the novel experiment of counter-blockade, the closing of our ports by enemy action from the air.

The enemy has rightly insisted upon the much greater difficulty which our effort at blockading him will suffer from the extension of the approaches to be watched. Until lately it sufficed to watch the issues of the North Sea and the Channel. It is now necessary to consider all the French Atlantic coast and, of course, the gorges to the Mediterranean, which included the entry of the Red Sea. Nor can blockade be imposed, even with a wholly superior naval power, on supplies across the Near East and the Black Sea.

On all these accounts the enemy has affirmed the impossibility of the old-fashioned blockade against him being established under present conditions. It is to be remarked that neutral opinion, so far as it can be gauged by the neutral Press, inclines to the enemy's thesis here; but only experience can decide.

3.—Raising the counter-blockade. Can the enemy establish a counter-blockade and, if so, could the defence raise it when it was established or in course of establishment?

As for the first of these questions the difficulties in the enemy's way appear on inspection to be as formidable here as in any other department. The great extent of our own coastline and the great number of available ports, coupled with the obvious fact that the defence possesses interior lines, are the conditions adverse to a counter-blockade of this island by the enemy. It has not as yet been really attempted. The main arm against it (which is defence from the air) works at the shortest possible ranges and from bases which are, like every other form of island defence, upon interior lines.

The Final Decision

4.—Counter-offensive. The fourth point we have called the most essential. It is the point of an ultimate counter-offensive against the enemy. In all human conflict there can be but two forms of conclusive action. One is the offensive, carried on from start to finish till a decision is reached; the other is the defensive, and the defensive can have only one object which is the gaining of time in which to develop the opportunities for an offensive later on. A permanent defensive is inconceivable as a method. It is a contradiction in terms. The most powerful defensive systems in history (of which perhaps the crusading Syrian castles were for their period the best examples) have never served for defence only, but always for ultimate counter-offensive. Lacking the success of this last, a defensive system has always failed and must fail.

Now, what are the opportunities for the counter-offensive on our side in the present struggle? The moral factors are numerous, the chief among them being the general opinion of the civilised world and the growing reaction of those whom the enemy has oppressed, occupied, and massacred. But neglecting this imponderable, which cannot be measured or decisively discussed, there is one major opportunity for counter-offensive from our side. That opportunity not only remains intact so long as invasion is repelled, but continually increases in value. It is the use of the air arm.

The knowledge of this makes the enemy subject to the conditions of a comparatively short war. He may, for purposes of ruse, talk otherwise, but he knows well enough that unless he can occupy the base from which he will be attacked, which base is this island, the ultimate increasing superiority of the air arm, not only in quality but in quantity, will involve a decision against him.



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Attempt to Panic United States

THE TERMS OF THE German-Italian-Japanese pact have not yet been officially communicated to London but full press reports of the new development are under examination in London and there is naturally considerable speculation in the newspapers as to the likely reaction in various quarters.

It is assumed that an early opportunity will be sought by the British Ambassador in Moscow for discussion of the whole situation with the Soviet Government, and the hope is expressed by some correspondents that an understanding on other outstanding problems consequent upon the inclusion of the Baltic States within the Soviet Union may result.

There is general agreement that among subjects under discussion in London is that of the Burma road. Under the Anglo-Japanese agreement the closure ends on October 17 and London newspapers declare that the American view inclines to the belief that the immediate reopening of the road is imperative.

The "Daily Telegraph," examining world reactions to the pact, says: "Germany, Italy and Japan cannot agree in their public explanation of their exhumation of the Anti-Comintern Pact.

In Berlin it is the grandest alliance of the ages. Rome hopes in a minor key that it may keep the United States out of the war. The Japanese Foreign Minister does not intend to challenge any power without provocation.

To Sooth Nazis

Neutral observers in Europe are asking whether the pact was produced to sooth frustrated German anticipations of some substantial success.

Another motive, however, is betrayed in Berlin and openly admitted in Rome, that it has become necessary to frighten the United States.

Far from restricting the dispatch of armaments to this country the pact is giving fresh stimulus to the American policy of rendering all material support and assistance.

Japan may thank Germany for leaving her to a crisis in her relations with the United States. Neither the American people nor their Government will be content to meet further Japanese aggression with words.

The Nazi pact of 250,000,000 will go down beneath the strength of nations far superior in man power and even more formidable in command of world resources and in industrial energy. — British Wireless.

COLOSSAL WAR COST FIGURES

In the first six months of the current financial year Britain's total ordinary expenditure reached the colossal figure of £1,610,135,000, compared with only £562,000,000 in the same period last year.

Ordinary revenue in the past six months is £452,000,000, states the Treasury return for the first half of the year.

Estimated total ordinary expenditure for the full financial year which ends on March 31 next is £3,400,790,000 and estimated total ordinary revenue £1,300,000,000.

Figures now issued show that revenue coming into the Exchequer is remarkably satisfactory. — Reuter.

CRITICAL MONTH OF AIR WAR ANALYSED

DURING SEPTEMBER which had been regarded by high officials as a critical month the R.A.F. have destroyed over 1,000 German aircraft with the loss of only 286 of their own fighters.

The past month's fighting has further demonstrated the inability of enemy bombers, even with huge escorts, to overcome the defence of R.A.F. planes in daylight raids and is regarded by experts as establishing the ineffectiveness of night bombing owing to the fact that many raiding pilots lose their way.

Examination of the list of places upon which bombs have been dropped in the raids of the past few nights suggests that at least half of them were dropped by pilots who were completely unaware of the localities over which they were flying—places remote from any objective which the Germans could claim as having any military or semi-military character.

In these cases, says the "Daily Telegraph" Air Correspondent, "it was obviously not a question of missing a legitimate target by half a mile or so through inaccurate bomb-placing."

Some unusual disparities as between one day and another in proportion of our own losses to those of the enemy during last week's air war are discussed by the "Daily Telegraph." Whereas on Friday we destroyed 133 of the enemy's machines at the cost of only 34 of our own, Saturday's communiqué announced the loss of seven British fighters against only six of the enemy. A few days earlier losses on both sides were equal at eleven.

Testimony Of Truth

It was regarded as further testimony of that veracity of the Air Ministry's communiqués that they do not hesitate to admit relatively unfavourable figures, in contrast to the Nazis' practice of reversing the figures on 10 days out of 20 when they are heavily adverse to themselves.

There is no cause for disquiet over the rare occasions when the R.A.F. fails to destroy three or four times as many of the enemy's machines as they lose themselves.

Reason for the two bad days last week was that the enemy had sent over only fighters unaccompanied by bombers hoping, no doubt, to lure our fighters into combat with a local numerical superiority of

ITALY TO CLAIM THE PRICE

The Berlin correspondent of the Basle newspaper, "National Zeitung" states that "an important diplomatic event" is expected to take place shortly in Rome.

He adds that it will primarily concern Italy and Spain.—Reuter.

SPAIN'S ROLE TO BE DISCUSSED

Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, will be host at lunch to-day in honour of Senor Serrano Suner, Spanish Minister of Interior, who is due to arrive in Rome at 10 o'clock this morning from Germany.

The conversations will begin to-day, says the Italian news agency, which adds well-informed circles in Rome state the talks between the Spanish Minister and members of the Italian Government will be of the greatest importance.

Senor Suner will stay in Rome for two or three days. — Reuter.

It seems likely that Senor Suner's visit to Rome is mostly for reasons of courtesy as the serious talking must already have been concluded in Berlin.

Senor Suner popularly is supposed to be very friendly towards the Rome end of the axis. — Reuter.

his own aid to destroy disproportionate numbers.

The results show our airmen were ready to take up the challenge and inflict as good as they got even against greatly superior forces.

Attacks by fighters unaccompanied by bombers do us no harm and the fact that the enemy has had to resort to such unprofitable tactics affords one more proof of his discomfiture. — British Wireless.

SIDELIGHTS OF RAIDS ON BRITAIN

STRANGE THINGS, many unrecorded, are happening every day in air-raided Britain. Here are some of the minor events which show how the British civilian is dealing with war-time emergencies.

A Dornier, riddled with a spitfire's bullets, fled south over the Thames estuary. Suddenly its tail snapped off and the bomber crashed — in a field near some houses. When householders hurried over they found two of the crew badly injured, the other two unhurt.

They took the uninjured men to a house and decided that they had better be separated. So one of the Germans was invited to take a bath. He accepted — and was locked in the bathroom until soldiers arrived.

In south-east England a Nazi fighter landed in a freshly cut cornfield. Railwaymen working on the line went over and took the pilot prisoner.

But of course they had to get on with their own job. So they left the airman in the cornfield — after taking away his boots and socks. The Nazi did not even try to escape.

Rural Council Solemnity

A meeting of the rural council was being held in a south-eastern district when raiders were reported in the vicinity.

Solemnly the chairman rose and proposed: "That this meeting do adjourn to an air-raid shelter."

Solemnly a councillor rose: "I beg leave to second the motion."

Solemnly the councillors raised their hands. The chairman declared the motion carried. And solemnly they walked to an air-raid shelter where the business of the meeting was continued.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith were walking through the streets of a south-eastern town, when a raid began. They carried a jug and a saucer and they were going to their old home, destroyed by bombs a month ago. They went on walking during the raid because they were expected — by Smuts, their cat.

Although Mr. and Mrs. Smith have a new home, Smuts refuses to leave the bricks and wood where he always lived. They have tried everything to get him away. Now they are resigned to taking the cat his food every day among the ruins of their own home.

Downed During Funeral

Overhead on the south-east coast raged a terrific air battle. Below, a funeral procession wound its slow way to the cemetery. Men in R.A.F. uniform carried the coffin. An R.A.F. chaplain conducted the service. Above one of the Nazi planes fell in back smoke. Below, the mourners lowered into its grave the body of a young German airman, brought down four days earlier.

During the Ransom murder trial at Tonbridge, Kent, raiders were reported.

"Very inconsiderate people overhead" remarked Mr. G. R. Palling, prosecuting counsel. With that the witness continued his evidence.

WOMAN BECOMES MAJOR

For the first time a woman doctor is to hold senior Army rank. Dr. Anna Reaveley Glover, of the R.A.M.C., has been appointed Deputy Assistant Director of Medical Services for the A.T.S. Eastern Command.

She will rank as a major, wear a major's badges, and receive the ordinary pay and allowances of an R.A.M.C. major. But she will still be addressed as "Doctor."

BEER SENT HIM TO GAOL

Arrested yesterday in connection with the theft of three cases of H.B. beer from a godown, at No. 59, Canton Road on September 19, Wong Ming, 28, pleading guilty, was sentenced to two months' hard labour and ordered to be expelled by Mr. E. Hims-worth at Kowloon this morning, on a housebreaking charge.

IN FOREFRONT OF BATTLE

THE TRADE UNION MOVEMENT IS NOW IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE BATTLE WHICH WILL DETERMINE THE COURSE OF HISTORY, STATES THE REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL PREPARED FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING NEXT WEEK OF THE TRADES UNION CONGRESS, REPRESENTING ABOUT 5,000,000 WORKERS.

The report continues: "the position of the Trade Union movement in industry and its representatives' capacity have never been more fully acknowledged. We have not forgotten that power brings responsibilities. And at such a time of national crisis those responsibilities to the nation have been inflexibly pursued."

The General Council also expressed appreciation of the way in which workers are going on with the industrial task of providing the means by which men in the forces can raise an impenetrable barrier against the Nazi hordes.—British Wireless.

FUNNIEST STORY FROM ROME

"IF THE BRITISH PEOPLE COULD EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS BY A PLEBISCITE, FROM SEVENTY-FIVE TO EIGHTY PER CENT. WOULD ACCEPT THE HAND WHICH HITLER OFFERS," SAYS THE "POPOLO D'ITALIA."

"If Britain were ruled by men of the calibre of Henry VIII, Cromwell, Pitt, Disraeli, or Gladstone, she would accept the salvation offered by the Axis."

"Under the present regime the English people are unable to manifest their real feelings."

"The silence of Lloyd George is an indication of his disapproval." — British United Press.

RUMOUR COST £42

A member of the Observer Corps, who spread the rumour that two parachutists had been dropped at Wigmore, Herefordshire, and four at Bewdley and had been caught, was fined £30 with £12 16s. costs at Leominster.

He was Percy Arnold Brown, of Ludlow. It was stated that he went to Ludlow Police Station and was told the rumour was untrue and subsequently motor-cycled to Wigmore and found there was no truth in the report. He then returned home, to Ludlow, and on his way stopped five people and told them that six parachutists had been caught.

PRINCE EDWARD ROAD BURGLARY

Miss Lee Lai, of No. 347, Prince Edward Road, has informed the Police her residence was entered last night, and money and jewellery to the value of \$548 stolen.

L.D.V. TRAPS 3 NAZI AIRMEN

THREE GERMAN AIRMEN were captured by a Local Defence volunteer when a Dornier bomber was shot down by three R.A.F. fighters after a battle over south-west England. The L.D.V.'s son, an R.A.M.C. private, attended to the wounds of two of the crew.

"There was nothing in it," Captain Phillips told a reporter later.

"I was motorcycling when I saw the bomber shot down by our fighters. I hurriedly put on my L.D.V. armband and flourishing my revolver ran towards where the plane was lying."

"Two of the crew were wounded, and they had already been pulled clear by the third German airman."

"The men offered no resistance and I disarmed them."

"My son, who is a private in the R.A.M.C., was with me, and he attended to the injuries of the

crew until a military detachment arrived and took them away."

"I was driving home when I saw the fighters on the Dornier's tail. The German bomber dived to 2,000ft. twisting and turning."

"The planes were only just above the tree tops when a final burst of machine-gun fire from our fighters brought the bomber down."

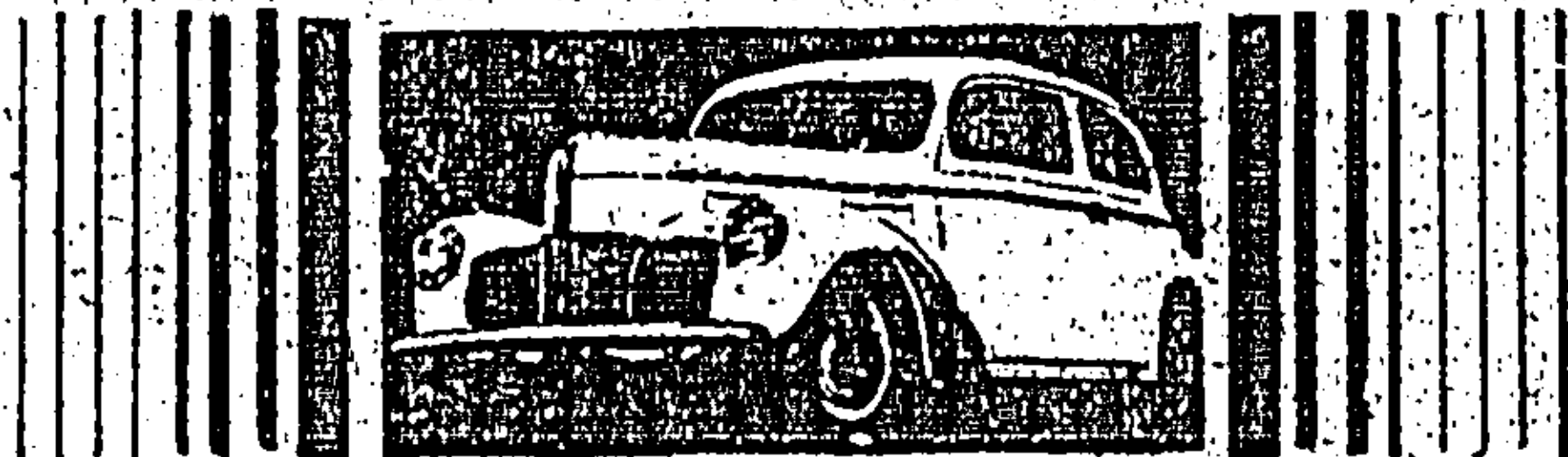
A local farmer said: "My biggest job was to stop lightcraze trampling down my wheat."

"They had forgotten the Government making this offence liable to heavy fines."

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The children were distributed between Bedford, Hitchin, Baldock, Bishops Stortford, Welwyn Garden City and Watford.

CHOLERA'S WANE

Indicating the slackening of the intensity of the cholera outbreak, Health Department figures covering the week ended midnight, September 28, show that 70 new cases (23 from Victoria and 43 from Kowloon) were notified, including two imported cases.

There were 110 deaths from cholera in the period. In the same week, tuberculosis deaths totalled 160, and a total of 247 new cases were notified.

The figures for the 24 hours ended at midnight were seven new cholera cases (three in Victoria and four in Kowloon) and 40 new cases of tuberculosis.

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THE EIGHTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 5th and THURSDAY, 10th October, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m. on both days.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 30th September, 1940

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A DESPERATION MEASURE

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♣ —

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♥ 8 4 2
♦ K J 9
♣ A K 10

♠ 10 9 6 3
♥ A 10 6
♦ 7 4
♣ Q 6 3

The bidding:

West North East South
1♠ 2♣ Pass 2♠
Pass 3♦ Pass 3♠
Pass 4NT Pass 5♦
Pass 6♠ Pass Pass

"We are all agreed that the bidding was pretty poor, but it's the play that intrigues us. The only way South can make his contract, the opening club lead, is to trump in dummy, return to his hand with a high heart, and take the spade finesse.

"Now if East takes his King of spades, the contract is home. If, however, he lays off, there's no way of making the contract. What would you do if you were East?"

We would refuse to win the trick. South can quite evidently win four trumps in his own hand, and one in the dummy, five hearts, and two diamonds. Taking the spade King cannot interfere with the winning of those tricks. Refusing the trick may give South trouble — either by steering him into a bad play or, as is the actual case, by leaving him no chance.

In other words, we cannot find a definite logical reason for holding off, but see no other likely chance to defeat the contract. It's a desperation measure rather than a reasoned play.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ Q 7 3
♥ A 6 4 2
♦ A 10 8 4
♣ K 2

The bidding:

Schenken Jacoby You Burnstone
1♠ Pass 1♠ Pass
1♠ Pass (2) Pass

ANSWER: Bid two no-trump. You have strength in both red suits and solidifying cards in the black suits. Game is very likely.

Score 100% for two no-trump, 40% for two hearts, 30% for two spades, 20% for two clubs.

QUESTION NO. 529

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

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What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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PLIGHTS TROTH FOR DEAD SON

THE LAST REQUEST of Private Edward Potts, of the Worcestershire Regiment, to the woman who had been a mother to him since she adopted him as a six-week-old baby, was to ask her sanction and blessing to his engagement to an eighteen-year-old servant girl, Kathleen Canning.

But Potts was killed in action before he could get home to place the ring on the finger of the girl he hoped to marry.

Later in the little house in Waterloo Street, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire, grey-haired Mrs. Arnold, who adopted Potts when his mother died, placed the new engagement ring on Kathleen's finger.

Standing by the photograph of her soldier lover, Kathleen wept as the ring slipped on to her finger. Silently she vowed she would wear it all her life and would never marry.

"I bought the ring for Kathleen and we arranged this little ceremony when we heard that Edward had been killed," Mrs. Arnold told a reporter.

"I placed the ring on her finger just as my boy would have done. I asked her to wear it all her life. I am sure if she ever becomes engaged to another boy he would not object to her wearing it in memory of Edward."

"I adopted him when he was six weeks old. I have two sons of my own."

"It would have been the happiest day of my life to have seen him place the ring on her finger."

"I Shall Never Wed"

"But I did it for him. I kissed Kathleen after I had given her the ring just as my boy would have done."

At her employer's home in Kenilworth Road, Leamington Spa, Kathleen showed a reporter her ring and said: "I shall wear this all my life. No man could ever replace him, and so I shall never marry."

CAT HAD KITTENS IN BABY'S GAS HELMET

Baby had no use for its gas helmet in a Manchester home, so the cat took up residence there and founded a family in it.

This was stated when Mrs. Margaret Tyrer, of Melbourne Street, Hulme, was fined 10s. for failing to take reasonable care of the helmet.

She admitted that she had not cleaned the helmet, although she knew the cat had kittens in it.

Mrs. Tyrer, mother of seven children, returned the helmet to the authorities and asked for a child's respirator in exchange.



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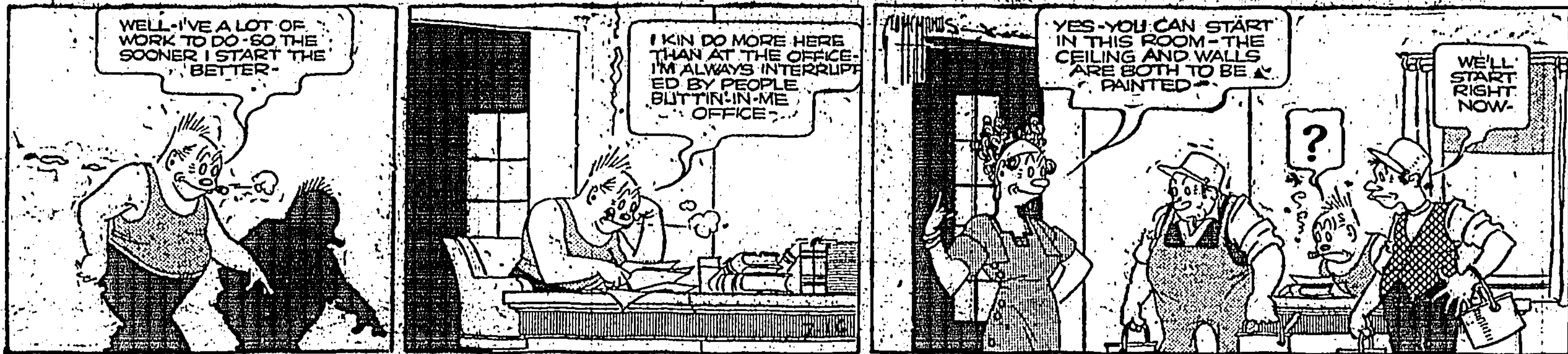


"You may hurt a few innuendos at him if you wish, Hoakinal!"

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A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Toe Tips From Tiptop Dancer

Mia Slavenska is on her feet nine hours a day—that is simply routine work for the premiere danseuse of the Ballet Russe. Rehearsals limbering routines, performances—all are taken "on her toes." So quite naturally she is more concerned about keeping her feet in the pink of condition than any other part of her body. But I must confess the petite darling looks meticulous and charming from head to toes!

Even on brief vacations there is no rest for her twinkling toes for muscles would soon stiffen and lose their flexibility if she did not go through limbering routines. "There is no excuse for let down feet," she bubbles, "the kind that give a droop to your carriage and whole personality. A few minutes each day devoted to the proper care—massage and exercising—counteracts muscle strain and develops flexibility!"

Foot Grooming

At the age of four Slavenska was preparing for her career. At five she learned routines to strengthen toes, arches and important muscles at the back of her leg and ankle. To-day at 23 she is slim, lithe, quick and definite of movement, and hopes nature will keep her young for she has little time for beauty beyond caring for her two precious feet!

She considers foot grooming an excellent "must" for all women for it focusses attention to feet and inspires one to keep them looking beautiful and being strong. Her carefully pedicured feet usually show a medium-deep shade which is a mantilla-pink.

Exercises

When your feet ache next time, try standing with toes apart and the weight of your body resting on the outside of the feet. This relieves the pressure that the ball of the foot usually bears. You may assume this position any time during the day.

For relieving strained muscles in the back of the leg, this talented young lady stands on the rung of a chair with the balls of the feet resting on the rung. She then springs up and down, without taking her feet off the rung and pressing her toes and heels downward at the same time. Difficult at first, but you will catch on to it!

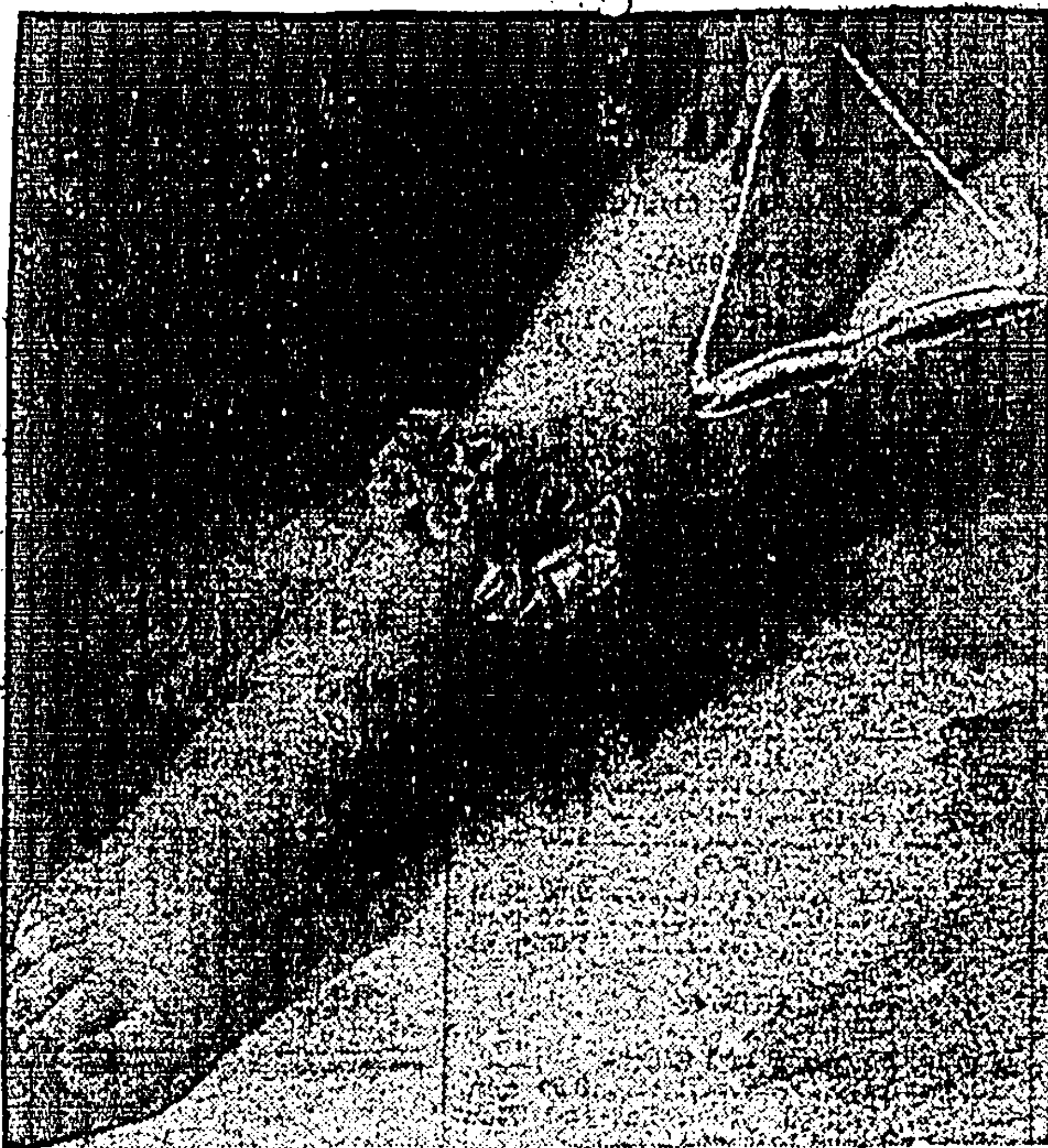
Another Relaxing Exercise

To increase flexibility of the foot and leg muscles (which slims the leg at the same time) do this: Stand with weight on left foot, point right toe on floor, heel high. Now bring right heel down to floor and rise on left toe. Do this seamy fashion without taking either foot off floor.

Daily Massage

Slavenska massages her feet every single day with a rich hand cream after soaking them in a hot epsom salts foot bath. The foot is wiped after the massage with a cloth dampened with a refreshing cologne. In the morning they are brushed briskly with soap and water.

"Ballet routine is excellent for strengthening weakened arches," she says. "Old and young should do them at least once a week."



Your feet can be as pretty as you make them! A dancer's beauty schedule allots more time to keeping feet in fettle than to any other beauty routine. Result: feet that work well, look lovely. The final touch of frivolity is a flower anklet in mantilla pink to match toe tip colour.

"Still Stubborn, You Dog!"

No more moving book has come out of the incidence of war than that written by Irmgard Litten, "A Mother Fights Hitler" (Allen & Unwin, 7s. 6d.). It is a factual account of her struggle with the Gestapo to get her son, a lawyer and an Aryan, out of one concentration camp after another. The Archbishop of York, in a foreword, describes the book as "a moving human record." Lord Allen, and others in this country tried to have Hans Litten set free. It was unavailing. After a period of intense suffering he was reported to have hanged himself in the Dachau concentration camp.

The book contains accounts by reliable eye-witnesses of the hideous forms of punishment administered by the Nazis to the unhappy prisoners. Here is one:

A wooden stool and four sticks were brought and placed in the middle of the courtyard. The man tried to explain that he had already been punished. No one listened to him. Two SS men took up their stand, one either side of the stool.

Commandant Schmidt gave the order: "Begin!" At first the men brandished their sticks a few times, so that one heard them whistling through the air. Then they raised them high above their heads. Each leaned back as far as he could, and swung his stick back in readiness, and only then came the first swishing blow, immediately followed by the second. The man did not utter a sound.

Again the two fellows swung back their sticks, and again two blows came swishing down on the victim. The tortured man clenched his teeth. The camp commandant roared: "The fellow isn't feeling anything!"

A third time the two blows fell on him. Still the prisoner was silent. The commandant began to rave. "Still stubborn, are you, you dog! Two others have a try!" The two "reserve strikers" came forward. Each whirled his stick through the air, then both struck the prisoner, swinging the stick far back before the blow.

Eight blows—ten—twelve. The prisoner bore his punishment like a hero. Not a sound escaped between his teeth. Now Camp-leader Feltke and Company-leader Brautig seized a stick apiece, and struck the last three blows. One of them struck one blow, the other two, but they were both crimson in the face from the effort. The prisoner bore everything, to the last blow, without a sound. The commandant and the SS-leaders were foaming with rage. They felt that they were scorned by the man, that their honour was insulted. But—alas!—the punishment had been awarded.

The victim was ordered to stand up. With difficulty he lifted himself to his feet. He looked like a dying man. Then he had to pick up the stool and the sticks, and the gaolers of the cellars took him away to serve his sixteen days solitary confinement.

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Java and Manila
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FRIDAY

Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 27th September.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 23rd August).

SATURDAY

U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Seattle date, 28th August).

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Sandakan 1.00 p.m.
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Ord.,	7.00 p.m.

FRIDAY

Manila, Macassar and Sourabaya 8.30 a.m.
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Par.	(3/10) 5.00 p.m.
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Hawaiian Selections.
12.50 p.m.—Songs by Dorothy Lamour.
1.03 p.m.—Compositions of Weber.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press.
Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Maurice Winnick's Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6.00 p.m.—Compositions of Dvorak.
"From the Old and the New World."
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6.57 p.m.—Latest Variety.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.03 p.m.—A Programme of New Dance Music.
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.
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10.10 p.m.—A Programme of Light English Music.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.



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SHIPMENT WITHOUT PERMIT

A fine of \$500 was imposed by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, on Cheung Sang, 40, for a breach of the Defence Regulations.

It was alleged that defendant exported 91 packages, containing parts of motor lorries, tyres, and accessories by the m.v. "Gula" on September 9, without a licence issued by the Controller of Trade.

Mr. W. J. Buller, Chief Preventive Officer of the Imports and Exports Department, asked the Court to take a serious view.

Defendant said that one of his employees, Tsoi In, informed him that he had a permit to remove the goods.

Mr. Sheldon said: "It is up to you to get a proper permit, and to employ people whom you can trust."

TYPHOON IN FORMOSA CHANNEL

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is moving eastward and pressure is now highest over Manchuria and the Sea of Japan.

The western typhoon is situated in the Formosa Channel about 250 miles E.N.E. of Hong Kong moving N.W., the Pacific typhoon about 300 miles N.E. of Yap moving N.W.W.

SEVEN BRITONS CONVICTED BY THE JAPANESE

SEVEN OUT OF 15 British residents in Japan who were arrested in connection with alleged espionage on July 27 have been indicted and found guilty of violation of the Military Secrets Protection Law, the Fortified Zone Law, the Army Penal Code, the Wireless Telegraph Law or the Military Resource Protection Law, announces the Tokyo Ministry of Justice lifting the press ban in regard to the arrests which has been in force since July 27.

Three other British subjects have been indicted and another five are being examined.

The names of the 10 Britons found guilty or indicted are given by the Domei agency as follows:—

Capt. C. H. James, representative of the Federation of British Industries;

Michael Ringer, member of the firm of Uriu Shokai Shimomoseki Steamship Agency;

Vanya Ringer, Nagasaki agent of Urin Shokai;

H. C. MacNaughton, honorary consul for Greece and owner of MacNaughton and Co., woollen dealers of Kobe;

H. C. W. Price, managing-director of the Clifford Wilkinson Tansan Mineral Water Co., Kobe;

J. F. James, general-manager of Nickel and Lyons Ltd., freight broker of Kobe;

E. W. James, managing-director of Cameron and Co., import and export firm in Kobe, President of the Osaka and Kobe Foreign

Chamber of Commerce and honorary Consul-General for Sweden; J. F. Drummond, manager of the Osaka and Kobe branches of Frazer and Co;

William Philip Charles de Trafford, lecturer at Nagasaki Higher Commercial College, and

L. T. Woolley, chief statistician of the Rising Sun Petroleum Co., Yokohama.

Japanese Indicted

It is stated one Japanese has been indicted for assisting British residents, while a Japanese woman and five men were detained for questioning.

The announcement says that scores of persons high in Japanese society, as well as statesmen, have been questioned as witnesses in the course of the investigations.—Reuter.

SHIPPING FEDERATION BIRTHDAY

The Shipping Federation, one of the oldest employers organisations which was formed as a fighting force to unite the resistance of shipowners to the strike weapon of the Seamen's Union, then led by the famous Labour leader and pioneer, the late Havelock Wilson, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary yesterday.

Delegates from many countries attending the early maritime sessions of the International Labour Conference at Geneva recall the violent verbal battles between Wilson and the secretary of the Shipping Federation, the late Cuthbert Laws, who, in the British tradition, were firm friends outside the conference hall.

The Times cites the comment of a Federation official that fifty years experience is a typical illustration of three phases of industrial relations beginning with bitter antagonism, passing into uneasy and spasmodic negotiation and gradually reaching sustained co-operation.

The Times adds: "It is odd to reflect that this great, powerful and progressive organisation should have had its origin in sheer antagonism to a Trade Union with which to-day, without humbug or sentimentality, it can shake hands."—British Wireless.

REPLACEMENT OF NISHIHARA

It was officially announced in Tokyo yesterday that Major-General Sumita, director of the army heavy artillery school and formerly military attaché at Paris, has been appointed chairman of the Japanese "Inspectorate" in French Indo-China, replacing Major-General Nishihara.—Reuter.

NEW SPANISH LINER

The newly-acquired Spanish liner Cabode Hornos was blessed at Bilbao yesterday in the presence of representatives of the Minister of Marine and the consul of the Argentine, Brazil, Uruguay and Portugal.

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Ng Nin Over-Trained? Manila Interport Trials On Thursday

By "Natator"

BREAKING ALL attendance records, the three-day Annual Swimming Championships programme was carried to a successful conclusion on Saturday evening, every nook and corner of V.R.C. being jammed long before the commencement. The gates had to be closed early on the final night as even standing room was not available.

The Championships this year, which featured the lowering of four individual records, were marked by a much larger number of Chinese successes than in former years, being not confined only to one or two events, but to almost all the events.

This annual classic also settled once and for all the question of individual superiority among the swimmers for the year, and there is no doubt that Chan Chun-nam is the most outstanding swimmer this year over the longer distances, accounting for three titles, and breaking two records, while Ng Nin and David Hutchinson were both brilliant in the sprints, the former winning the 50 yards dash, in 24-4/5 secs, equalling the record, and the latter setting up a new mark for the 100 yards free-style by winning in 56-1/5 secs.

Hutchinson swam a really wonderful race to win the 100 yards, with a magnificent sprint in the last length to overtake Ng Nin, who had gained a considerable lead after the third turn.

Ng Nin's failure to return a better time than 58 secs is unaccountable, especially after his fine swim in the 50 yards, when he drew away in the last few yards to win. The night previous he was clocked at 62-3/5 secs for 100 metres at South China, which is easily under 56 secs when passing the 100 yard mark.

Over-Trained

His failure can only be attributed to an over-trained physical condition.

In the breast-stroke, Ng Nin proved conclusively that the "butterfly stroke," if developed to a sufficient degree, was definitely much faster than the orthodox breast-stroke.

Swimming 100 yards with this stroke, he was able to lower the existing record in 70 secs. flat.

The old record of 71-2/5 secs. was established by Enrique Chan last year with the older form and I feel sure that even if had he competed he would have been unable to defend his title successfully. Much surprise was caused by the inability of Fong Chung-U to be placed, and I have since learnt from his coach that he had been practising the "butterfly stroke" for a fortnight before the Championships, and cramped his ordinary style. For three lengths he was able to keep pace with Ng's butterfly, but this was too much for him. Ho Pun-kun, on the other hand, showed better judgment and swam his own race, and was placed third, 1/5 secs. after Luigi Remedios, another butterfly stroke exponent.

In spite of the fact that 70 seconds was Rumjahn's time for the 100 yards back-stroke, I am firmly convinced that he could have come much nearer to the record of 68-4/5 secs. had he gone all out from the beginning.

Criticising his attempt to swim under 71 secs., about a month ago, I pointed out that his first length was swam too easily, and that an improvement in that length would give him a better result. His time, then, for the first length was 34 secs.

At the Championships he covered the first length in just about 33 secs. with the consequent improvement of over a second in final time.

With his amazing stamina I have often wondered why he does not swim all out from the start.

The day that Rumjahn can do 32 for the first length will see him lower the mark.

Interport Trials On Thursday

As announced earlier, the selection of representatives for the P. J. Interport will be probably made

from the results of the Championships, whilst for the men's 220 yards back-stroke and 220 yards breast-stroke, and the ladies' 50 yards back-stroke and 50 yards breast-stroke, trials will be held at the V.R.C. on Thursday.

In this connection, those interested are reminded that entries will close to-day at 5.30 p.m.

Club secretaries are also advised that a meeting will be held at the V.R.C. to-day at 5.30, when preparations for the coming Interport will be discussed. Clubs interested are requested to send representatives to this meeting.

South China A.A. Championships

South China's 15th Annual Championships was featured by the lowering of one club record in the ladies' events, which were all closely contested. The events for men were rather dull affairs, and with the possible exception of Ho Pun Kun's times of 1 min. 25-3/5 secs. and 3 mins. 10-2/5 secs. for the 100 and 200 metres breast-stroke, times returned by the other competitors were rather poor. Visitors found time spent, worth while, however, as the open relay races provided the excitement for the evening.

The 400 metres free-style relay open to Chinese teams in the Colony, was narrowly won by the Eastern team over the Chung Shing.

Kew (Eastern) - Chung Shui-che (Chung Shing), Tsang Cheung-ming (Lai Tsun), Kwok Chan-hang (Eastern "E"), and Leung Pui-chuen (South China) started together on their 100 metres lap, but after three-quarters of the distance, Kew broke away from the field to give Eastern the lead, which was maintained by Chu Fai-lam swimming against Fung Kwai-sang (Chung Shing).

Starting with a fifteen metres handicap, Ng Tsun-man, of Chung Shing, went in third, and managed to cut down the lead from Lee Fook-ke, but 10 metres still separated them when Lee finished. The versatile Ng Nin, made a most amazing effort to pick up on Shek Kam-pul, swimming last, and covered the distance in 62-3/5 secs., cutting down the margin of defeat to only one metre.

Shek Kam-pul, nearly lost the race for Eastern, as he was obviously panicky after the turn when he saw that Ng was gradually creeping up on him, and continually fouled the lanes. The Ladies' 400 metres free-style relay, was also interesting, in that South China fielded three breast-stroke swimmers, who proved that for a longer distance they were not very much handicapped in not being able to swim with a crawl stroke. Lai Tsun was the only other team to enter.

Miss Tsang Fung-kwan started for Lai Tsun, and obtained a lead of almost 15 metres over Miss Ho Wai-man. Swimming with smooth even strokes, Miss Au Mei-chuen cut down the lead metre by metre and actually overtook Miss Cheng Oi-lin, of Lai Tsun, who was completely exhausted towards the end of her lap. From then on, the race was definitely South China's, and in spite of Miss Ko Mei-lin's brilliant effort in the end, Miss Lee Po-luen coasted in to victory for the team.

It is a long time since South China has won a ladies' relay.

Miss Lee Po-luen Better

Her Own Record

In view of the lack of opposition in the ladies' sprint events, Miss Lee Cheuk-wa accounted for both the 50 metres free-style and the 100 metres back-stroke, whilst the South China trio of breast-stroke swimmers, namely the Misses Lee Po-luen, Ho Wai-man, and Au Mei-chuen, dominated the breast-stroke events, with Miss Lee Po-luen winning all of them.

All of these three swimmers were finalists in the recent Colony Championships. Still fresh from her success at the Championships, Miss Lee Po-luen won the 100 metres breast-stroke, the same evening and shattered the existing club record, established by her last year, by lowering it from 1 min. 41-2/5 secs.

JOCKEY CLUB RULING

At race meetings held under the auspices of Hong Kong Jockey Club in the past, it has been the practice of some starters to insist that difficult ponies, which jockeys could not hold themselves, should be held behind the rest of the field at the start in order that the start should not be delayed. The stewards have now issued a ruling to the effect that this practice may be enforced at the discretion of the starter.

to 1 min. 37-2/5 secs.

Macao Win Water-Polo

In a fitting conclusion to Championships, Macao Chinese Water-Polo Club defeated South China by the odd goal in five before a packed gallery.

Playing the first of their five-game schedule with the local Chinese clubs, the visiting team showed plenty of sparkle in their play, and it was mainly through determination that they obtained their victory in the last minute of play.

Included in their line-up are Choy Chak-lau and Ng Kai-hung, well-known in Chinese water-polo circles, and between them they have coached the team to its present standard of high efficiency.

It must be borne in mind that they are severely handicapped in their training, as they are the only water-polo team in Macao, and their work is really an achievement.

Breaking away from Chan Yung-kong on a goal throw, Harold Wingler scored with a long shot, to open the score in favour of the home team, but their advantage was soon lost when Choy Chak-lau equalised with a strong forehead shot. Soon before the closing of the first half Lionel Lowe put one past the goalie to give South China the lead again. In the second half, in a mix-up in front of South China goal, Choy scored the equaliser for Macao. From then onwards both teams were fighting desperately to break the tie, and only in the last minute of play Tong scored with a magnificent back-hand, which brought the cheering spectators to their feet.

MACAO - Au Yeung-keung, Poon Wai-lun, Leung Wing-kwan, Ng Kai-hung, Chan Yung-kong, Choy Chak-lau (2), Kwan Kin-fai, 1st half, Tong Po-man, 2nd half (1).

SOUTH CHINA - Kwok Kai-chiu, Lee Ke-yeung, H. Wingler (1), Ho Yuk-kwan, Lionel Lowe (1), Henry Sa, Yu King-chuen.

GREAT TENNIS RECORD OF THE SAPPERS

By "Adrem"

ROYAL ENGINEERS had a remarkably successful season in the Army Tennis League, going through both divisions without the loss of a single match.

In "A" Division, they played 11 matches, won 65 sets and dropped only 16. They were represented by only four pairs, most successful being Major Grose and Capt. Wilkinson, who won 24 and lost only three sets. Other pairs were S/Sgt. Megson and Sgt. Denyer (won 20 and lost 4); S/Sgt. Mitchell and Spr. Easley (won 19, lost 8) and S/Sgt. Megson and S/Sgt. Quinnell (won 2, lost 1).

In "B" Division, Sappers fared even better and won no fewer than five of their nine matches, by maximum margins. Mainstay of the side were Q.M.S. Rivett and S/Sgt. Quinnell, who had a hundred per cent. record in 27 sets, while Capt. Freeman and Capt. Bird won 16 out of 19 sets and S/Sgt. Spencer and L/Cpl. Shaw 23 out of 27.

Following are the final League tables—

"A" DIVISION				
	P.	W.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Royal Engineers	11	11	0	65 10 22
R.A.O.C.	11	10	1	64 20 20
8th A.A. Regt. R.A.	11	9	2	59 40 18
R.A.M.C.	11	8	3	61 25 10
Royal Scots	11	7	4	44 46 14
R.A.P.C.	11	6	5	40 47 10
5th Div. Regt. R.A.	11	4	7	44 53 8
12th Div. Regt. R.A.	11	3	8	30 60 6
R.A.S.C.	11	3	8	28 62 6
Signals	11	3	8	20 62 6
64th North Highland	10	2	8	21 33 4
Middlesex	10	0	10	10 20 0

BASEBALL BY EAR; AMAZING INVENTION BY AN AMERICAN

A MODIFIED FORM of blind baseball, invented by a St. Paul man, may be introduced to blind organisations throughout the United States.

In the game's first test the St. Paul United Blind Workers team drubbed United Blind Workers of Minneapolis, 7 to 0, in a tightly-fielded contest.

MISS HO WAI-KING EQUALS NATIONAL RECORD

At Chinese Bathing Club Swimming championships last night, Miss Ho Wai-king, who figured so prominently at the Colony aquatic meet, equalled the Chinese National record set up by Miss Yeung Sau-king in 1935 when she covered the 50 metres free-style event in 36 seconds.

The closest race of the evening was witnessed in the men's 50 metres free-style when Robert Chan just managed to win by a split second from Chan King-ping.

RESULTS

Men's 50 metres free-style—1. Robert Chan; 2. Chan King-ping; 3. Wong Yat-hung. Time: 36 2/5 secs.

Ladies' 50 metres free-style—1. Ho Wai-king; 2. Leung Chit. Time: 36 secs. (National record).

Small girls' 50 metres free-style—1. Hor Wai-tak; 2. Hor Wai-man; 3. Wong Hui-yue.

Men's 200 metres breast-stroke—1. Fong Chong-yui; 2. Chan Man-poh; 3. Hui Kwan-lun.

Ladies' 200 metres breast-stroke—1. Cheung Pui-chan; 2. Leung Chit.

Men's 50 metres free-style (Club servants)—1. Chan Koon-ying; 2. Fok Pak-yung and Law Siew-lun (dead heat).

Men's 400 metres free-style—1. Robert Chan; 2. Wong Yat-hung; 3. Wan Lai-man. Time: 6 mins. 21 2/5 secs.

Chris Blankenburg, St. Paul hurler, allowed only seven scattered hits.

Both teams played errorless ball. All players were blind. The umpires, as though proving a rule, were not.

Blind pitchers actually pitch; blind batters swing regulation bats and run bases; fielders wear gloves and make actual stops.

Played By Ear

Secret of the game is this: It is played by ear.

In blind man's baseball, the "ball" is a steel ring, four inches in diameter, strung on a cable 100 feet long.

In the pitcher's box, 35 feet from the plate, the hurler "itches" the ring, sending it shooting down the cable toward the batter. Noise of the ring on the cable times the batter's swing. When the swing is properly timed, the bat connects and the ring whizzes back down the cable.

The batter grabs a leather strap strung on another cable, which guides him around the bases, and attempts to beat out the throw.

Catches By Sounds

In the field, basemen must listen for the ping of the ring as it goes by them and make their catches accordingly. Then comes the throw-in. If the ring is returned to the catcher before the runner reaches his base, he is out.

When a batter whacks the ring the length of the cable, it is a home run. If he fails to hit it as far as the pitcher, it is counted a foul.

No fielder may "block" the cable but must make his stab for the ring as it passes. In view of this, fielding was remarkable.

K.I.T.C. TENNIS RESULTS

The tennis competitions of the Kowloon Indian Tennis Club ended yesterday and the following were the results:

SINGLES (FINAL)
S. A. Hussain beat G. Singh, 6-1, 6-0, 7-5.

DOUBLES (FINAL)
M. O. Hosen and M. Ramzan beat S. S. Hussain and S. R. Saller, 6-2, 7-5, 4-6, 6-1.

SINGLES HANDICAP (FINAL)
M. Ramzan (-15) beat S. R. Saller (-15), 6-4, 6-2.

DOUBLES HANDICAP (FINAL)
S. A. Hussain and G. M. Khan (-40) beat A. Rahmeh and A. R. Azan (-15), 7-5, 6-0, 6-0.

ARMY TENNIS

Following were the results of Fourth Round matches in the Army Tennis Open Singles tournament played at Sookunpoo yesterday.

S/Sgt. Adlam (R.A.P.C.) beat S/Sgt. Mitchell (R.E.), 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

S/Sgt. Duffield (R.A.O.C.) beat Sgt. Webb (R.A.M.C.), 6-1, 6-4.

CRICKET TO START ON SATURDAY

Kowloon Cricket Club and Hong Kong Cricket Club will start their cricket seasons on Saturday with practice games at 6-3 the respective clubs.

"B" DIVISION				
	P.	W.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Royal Engineers	9	9	0	74 7 18
R.A.O.C.	9	8	1	47 34 12
8th R.A.	9	6	3	45 36 12
5th R.A.	9	5	4	47 34 10
24th R.A.	9	5	4	37 44 10
Royal Scots	9	4	5	37 44 8
36th R.A.	9	3	6	31 41 6
Signals	9	3	6	23 47 0
R.A.S.C.	9	2	7	35 43 4
R.A.P.C.	9	2	7	16 63 4

Sappers' Results

Following are Engineers' records in the two divisions—

"A" DIVISION				
	P.	W.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Royal Engineers	9	9	0	74 7 18
beat Royal Scots				6-3
beat R.A.M.C.				7-2
beat 5th R.A.				6-0
beat Signals				8-1
beat R.A.S.C.				8-1
beat R.A.P.C.				8-1
beat 8th R.A.				7-2
beat 12th R.A.				5-4
beat R.A.O.C.				6-4
received a walk-over from Seaford				

Highlanders, received a walk-over from Middlesex Regiment.

"B" DIVISION				
	P.	W.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Royal Engineers	9	9	0	74 7 18
beat 8th R.A.				6-1
beat Royal Scots				7-2
beat 5th A.A. Regt.				6-0
beat 24th R.A.				6-0
beat Signals				8-1
beat 30th R.A.				8-1
beat R.A.P.C.				8-1
beat R.A.O.C.				8-1
beat R.A.S.C.				8-1

A POSITION OF POWER

BY BEST BALL

Grasping the shaft of the club with the left hand palm down, places this member in the best possible position for both mobility and usefulness in the stroke. There is more power in such a grip than one placed too far under the shaft and also more dependability. Let the golfer try swinging and pushing back with his hand in the palm down position and he will soon realise that it not only offers more control but that its natural arc follows the rotating movement of the body. Furthermore the path of this hand is nearer the body than is the case where the back of the hand is largely on the side of the shaft not over.

Two or more knuckles of the left hand should be visible to the player as he looks down upon the grip. Placed in this fashion it can guide the club-head in the best possible manner and follow through straight along the intended line of flight. The heel of the right hand should fit snugly against the thumb of the left hand.

Next Article:—A Firm Left Side.

M. N. Rakusen beat J. S. Landolt 22-19.

Golf ABC To Help The Average Player

AAA.—ADDRESS—THE ball with your weight equally divided on both feet, and your balance back toward the heels. It is wise to try to stand as comfortably and naturally as possible so that your mind will not be uneasy as you start your backswing. If you are uncomfortable in the address position, you will find it difficult to concentrate upon the actual making of the stroke.

BBB.—Begin your back swing slowly and smoothly. A hurried start away from the ball nearly always causes a short, jerky swing, that lacks both power and control.

CCC.—Control the club with the left hand and arm—they are the masters and guides of the club. In order to ensure control of the club, make certain that the grip with the left hand remains firm throughout the backward and forward swing.

DDD.—Don't take your divots before the clubhead contacts the ball. In laying the iron shots remember that the club must contact the ball first, then the ground—thus taking the divot after the ball has been struck. The ball must be hit on the downswing.

EEE.—Explosion shots from sand traps can save many strokes if the player follows several sim-

ple rules. The feet should be fixed firmly in the sand. The ball should be played well forward off the left foot and the stance slightly opened. Usually the face of the club is layed open. The swing is fairly upright and should come down across the ball from the outside in. It is fatal to loosen your grip with the left hand or fail to follow-through. Contact the sand several inches behind the ball.

FFF.—Freedom of wrist action depends upon your using the proper grip.

GGG.—Gripping the club correctly is called opening the door to a good golf swing. I cannot over-emphasise the importance of a good grip, so consult your local professional for a check-up.

HHH.—Hit the ball with your hands, particularly the right

By
Lawson, Little

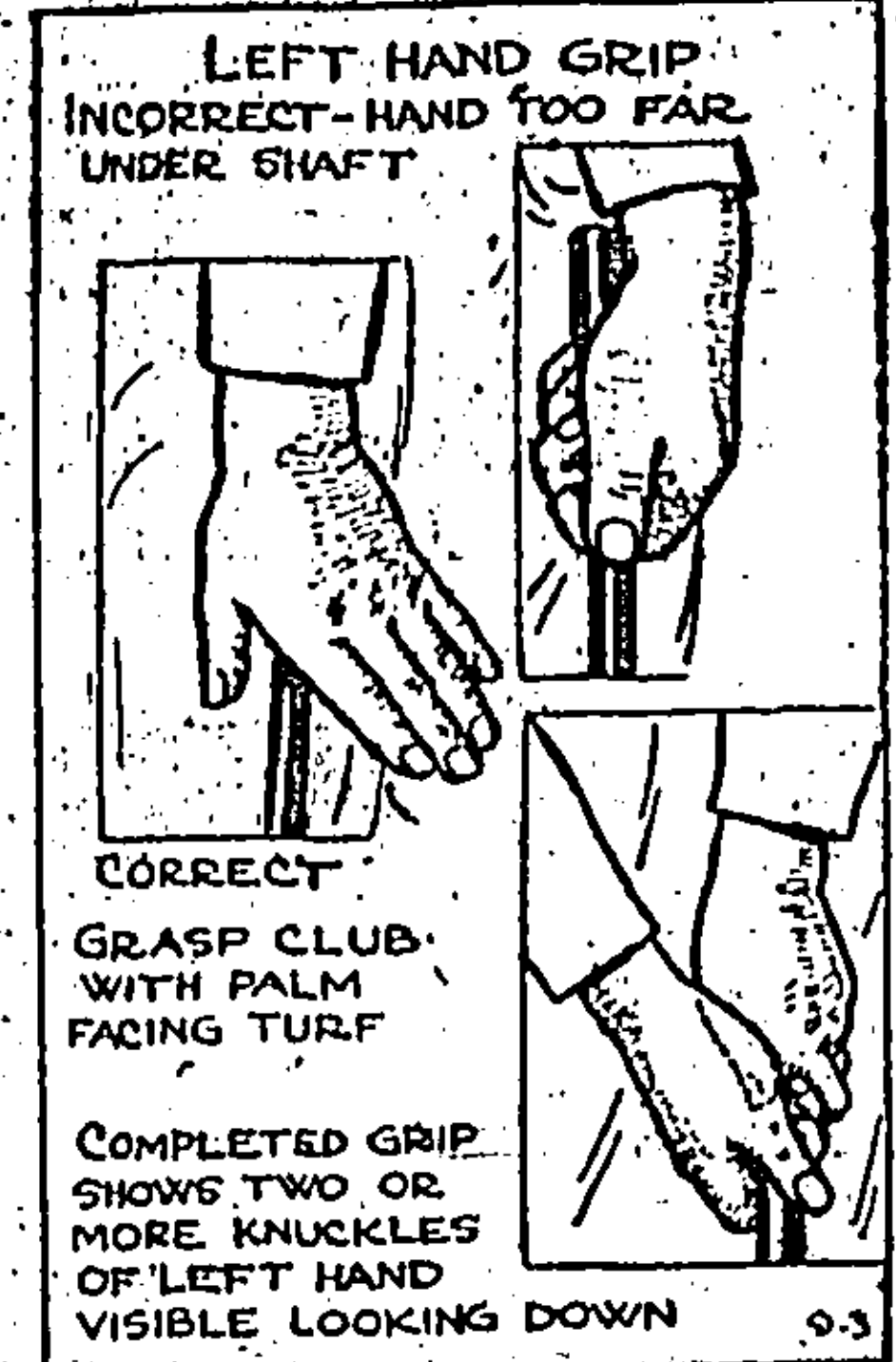
hand, but reserve the hit with the hands until you are in the hitting position near the ball. Remember that the wrists complete the backswing by cocking, and they complete the downswing (before the ball is hit) by uncocking just before contact with the ball. Do not start the club down by uncocking the wrists at the top of the backswing.

III.—Initiate the swing in the centre of the body; the hips to the right, and let the shoulders, arms, hands, and club move to the right, as a result of the turning of the body.

JJJ.—Jerky shots are usually caused by starting the backswing too quickly. Start the club back as in "I". This makes for the harmonious movement of all parts of the body.

KKK.—"Like as we lie" is a golfing term meaning that all players have played the same number of strokes.

GRAPHIC GOLF



OPEN SINGLES RESULTS

Following were the results of third round games in the Open Singles Bowls championship played yesterday:

At Craigengower
M. R. Abbas beat A. Morton 21-3 on the 12th head.

At K.F.C.
J. McCutcheon beat A. M. Omar 22-20.
C. G. Silva beat W. L. Walker 21-14.

H.K.V.D.C. LAWN BOWLS MEETING

Volunteer Unit Commanders are reminded that a meeting will be held at Volunteer Headquarters this evening to discuss the possibility of holding an Inter-Unit lawn bowls competition. The meeting will be held in the Corps lecture room, starting at 5.30 p.m.

VOLUNTEER CRICKET

NO LEAGUE JUST YET

In the absence of Lt.-Col. E. J. R. Mitchell, who is ill, Major H. Owen Hughes presided at the Volunteer Cricket meeting at Headquarters yesterday evening.

Major Owen Hughes said that the purpose of the meeting was to see what form Volunteer cricket should take this year.

It was suggested that Volunteer Cricket be run as last year with friendly games on Sundays, preferably between Units of the Corps. There were six units which had more or less agreed to field teams and the question of grounds for a competition was discussed.

Pending enquiries being made as to the possibility of grounds being secured, the meeting was adjourned, it being decided that in no case would any competition be formed until the end of the year.

The Inter-Unit teams so far are 3rd M.G. Coy., 3rd Battery, Field Ambulance, 5th and 6th (Portuguese) Coys., No. 1 Coy. and 1st Battery.

TO-DAY'S BOWLS

Following is the programme for to-day's Third Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Singles Championship:

At Kowloon F.C.
J. X. M. Silva v H. White
At Craigengower
H. E. Strang v F. J. Jones
At Polite F.C.
W. R. Hillyer v W. J. Howard
At Kowloon G.C.C.
M. A. Alarcon v T. A. Mdar

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Grave Blow To The Luftwaffe

Nazi Plan To Invade Britain Miscarries Badly

5,000 Men Lost In Two Months

GERMANY'S LOSS of over 2,000 'planes and 5,000 men in August and September is a very grave blow to her first-line air strength, says Reuter's air correspondent; this belief was expressed in London yesterday by a high R.A.F. officer.

It is too early yet to gauge the full effect of the first major rebuff the luftwaffe has suffered since it crushed Poland. On the other hand that rebuff serves to show clearly that the Nazi plan to invade Britain has miscarried badly up to the moment.

The R.A.F. does not doubt that invasion is behind the plan of campaign of the German High Command on both sides of the Channel.

Over Britain, the luftwaffe was first used to smash R.A.F. fighter opposition by attacks chiefly on aerodromes. This accomplished, as the German High Command evidently thought, the attack on London began on September 7.

Possibly the Nazi leaders thought sufficient disorganisation had been caused by last Friday to permit the next of their pre-invasion campaign to be attempted.

Major Defeat

They tested it with another mass daylight attack and for the third time in two months their large formations suffered a major defeat.

The German High Command must now be faced with a problem which has become serious as the months pass, namely how is air superiority not only in numbers but ability to be achieved?

Unless Germany can find an answer, in the R.A.F. view, she cannot successfully invade Britain, nor can she do any real lasting damage to the country's war potential areas most of which our fighters, guns and balloons are so successfully protecting.

A Week's Figures

Meanwhile it was stated in London yesterday that during the week ended midnight on September 28 German aircraft losses were 222 machines in battles

over Britain, apart from machines damaged and believed destroyed, whose loss could not be definitely confirmed by the careful check-up employed by the Air Ministry.

The R.A.F. lost 69 'planes during the same period but 37 pilots were saved.

It is estimated that German pilot losses from aircraft whose loss is confirmed alone are, on the basis of the above figures, approximately 555. — Reuter.

BIG NAZI OIL PLANT DEVASTATED

(Continued from Page 1) docks at Flushing in the early hours of yesterday morning.

In an attack on long-range gun positions at Cap Gris Nez salvoes of high explosive bombs were seen to explode close to the gun emplacements. — Reuter.

Wide Area

Sunday night's attacks on rail communication centres in Germany were spread over a wide area. Railways at Ehrang, Mannheim, Soest and Coblenz were bombed and fires were started in goods junctions in Cologne, Osnabruck and Hamm where sticks of heavy calibre bombs fell along one side of the goods yard causing two separate fires.

An oil plant at Hanover was attacked shortly before 11 p.m. A large fire in the target area was still burning 20 minutes

SIR SHENTON THOMAS'S TERM EXTENDED

Sir Shenton Thomas's term of office as Governor of the Straits Settlements has been extended, stated a Colonial Office announcement in London yesterday.

Sir Shenton will resume residence in Singapore towards the end of the year. — Reuter.

MADRID ATTACK ON U.S.A.

The Madrid paper "Hoja Oficial del Lunes" in an editorial yesterday attacked United States influence in South America whither it thinks American efforts will be directed now the U.S. has been "defeated in the European and Asiatic front."

The Spanish press is always suspicious of any signs of collaboration between North and South America, Spain regarding itself as the rightful spiritual leader of that continent. — Reuter.

after the last aircraft had left the outskirts of the city.

Explosions which continued for some time marked the attack on a factory near Hanover.

At Kamen, near Dortmund, another factory was set on fire.

Fokker Factory

Raiders operating over Holland attacked the great Fokker aircraft factory near Amsterdam. The factory, which is now commandeered by the German invaders, is situated in the dock area.

It was heavily bombed and fires and explosions were seen to break out among factory buildings and in docks lying to the south. — Reuter.

Amsterdam Havoc

Particularly heavy damage was done in the harbour area of Am-

STOP PRESS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Well-informed quarters state that the conference between Admiral Hart and diplomatic officials on board the U.S.S. Augusta yesterday was primarily concerned with a discussion on means and measures for evacuation of 5,000 American nationals from Shanghai in the event of increased strain in American-Japanese relations.

Tension in Shanghai is noticeable since the shooting of a Japanese officer in Hong-kew and the beating up of a rating from the Augusta by Japanese gendarmes. — Our Own Correspondent.

Under no circumstances whatever will China recognise Japanese leadership in the establishment of the so-called Greater Asia nor will she ever recognise the validity of the "new order," declares an official statement issued in Chungking in connexion with the Axis-Japan pact. — Reuter.

sterdam during an R.A.F. raid early yesterday, says an Amsterdam despatch to the official German news agency. — Reuter.

DAKS

GREYS

are legion this year!



They range from the palest silver to a new and very smart dark grey—good for wearing with the new light sports jackets. Daks, the famous comfort-in-action trousers are also made in tweeds, gabardines, whipcords, linons and corduroys this year. Come and see them.

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